

'Earthquake destroyed 80% of city' 300,000 refugees flee ruins of Managua

MANAGUA (UPI). — Government officials said yesterday 300,000 inhabitants of Managua have fled their earthquake-shattered city, leaving behind the ruins of their homes and the bodies of many of their kinsmen.

An international rescue operation swung into action to aid persons still mired in the wreckage of the city.

Gen. Anastasio Somoza, one-time president and still the major political force in the country, said 90 per cent of the city was destroyed by an earthquake which struck early on Saturday, but it still was impossible to say how many persons died.

"We have officially buried more than 800 persons," Somoza said on Sunday, "but we have no figures on the total number of dead."

Lt.-Col. Jose Almagre, the commander of the army's corps of engineers, said as many as 12,000 may have died, with more than 20,000 injured and perhaps 200,000 homeless.

"This is a city that was," Almagre said, "but is no more."

Entire blocks lay in ruins, looking like the result of an air raid.

Civil defence official Rafael Martinez said he estimated that 6,000 persons died in one middle-class neighbourhood called El Calvario.

More earth tremors shook the city on Sunday night, causing some signs of panic among remaining inhabitants but no more damage.

There was little left for further earthquakes to damage.

So shattered was the city that Somoza ordered inhabitants to leave for their own safety. They did — in an exodus out of the city aboard cars, buses, carts, bicycles and even baby carriages.

Behind them, the refugees left scenes of desolation and destruction. Rubble lay 4.5 metres deep in some streets, wreckage mounded most of Sunday and buildings ranging from the 18-storey Bank of America to the humblest shack, were collapsed or cracked by the earthquake.

Somoza imposed martial law and army troops took up positions throughout the city, but witnesses said they saw no signs of looting.

Somoza, who retains power as commander of the national guard, said there were tentative plans to dynamite some damaged buildings which might collapse and cause more casualties but the idea was discarded because of the possibility of more survivors inside them.

Those citizens who stayed behind ignored the Christmas decorations and lights which hung from broken buildings, bent traffic signs. In Plaza de la Republica, the city's main square, Santa Claus and reindeer figures remained visible on buildings not burned in the wake of the earthquake.

Meanwhile, emergency medical teams were leaving for Nicaragua from France, Germany, Britain, and the U.S.

Sadat sets political, military talks

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter Egyptian President Anwar Sadat will start a series of top-level political and military meetings today.

The Egyptian Middle East News Agency said Sadat will also make "an important" statement to a special session of Parliament on Thursday.

Sadat is due to meet the National Security Council, which comprises the state's top political and military leaders, today. "Al-Gomhouria" newspaper said yesterday that the Council was expected to make "important decisions," noting that today's meeting was summoned following "surveys of Egyptian military preparedness."

Military newspapers agreed that the meeting was of "special significance."

Despite the Cairo press fanfare, the Egyptian President is unlikely to make any dramatic decisions, either in the domestic or external spheres. Sadat is believed to have called the meetings because 1973 is ending without any solution to the Middle East crisis in sight.

Sadat's current meetings follow the departure yesterday of the U.S. chief diplomat in Cairo, Joseph Greene, for Washington for consultations, amid reports of a renewed dialogue between Cairo and the State Department over an interim settlement aimed at reopening the Suez Canal.

Cairo's "Al-Ahram" newspaper yesterday emphasized that Mr. Greene was returning home for talks on Middle East developments with Secretary of State William Rogers. Prior to his departure, Mr. Greene conferred with a number of Egypt's top-ranking officials.

A recent report received by western diplomatic circles stressed that Egypt is still considering an interim settlement, despite Cairo statements indicating the contrary. The reports said that Egyptian Premier Aziz Sidky asserted Cairo's continued dialogue with Washington over such a settlement in talks with Kuwaiti leaders whom Sidky visited recently.

Terrorists 'get political backing in return for Lebanese drug smuggling'

By HERB GOODMAN
Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent
TEL AVIV. — The terrorist organizations are actively involved in drug smuggling for senior Lebanese government officials including at least one cabinet minister, an American author said yesterday. In return, the terrorists receive money, and important political backing in both the Lebanese parliament and cabinet.

One of the major "users" of the terrorists in Lebanon is Minister of Public Works Sabri Hamadeh, according to the author, Ed Haymoft, who recently arrived from Lebanon, where he is researching the drug trade for a U.S. congressman. Haymoft is known for his excellent connections with the U.S. intelligence community.

Hamadeh is a former speaker of the Lebanese parliament and a former minister of the interior who has tremendous holdings in the Beirut area — a rich hashish and poppy-growing district. Hamadeh is known to support the terrorist cause, and to be actively using their services to get the drugs out of Lebanon to outside markets, including Egypt.

The terrorists have proved to be effective smugglers, according to Haymoft, because of their experience in gerrymandering, and because of the contacts they have at official levels.

ORGANIZATION NEEDED
Drug producers need an organization, with means of transport and protection, to get their wares out of Lebanon and safely to destinations in the Arab world and Europe. The drugs being smuggled are primarily opium, morphine base and hashish.

The terrorists, it is thought, have managed to gain a foothold in the hostile Lebanese political arena through the drug trade. This may have prevented Beirut from taking a stronger stand against them. It is Haymoft's opinion that the money the terrorists are receiving for their work is of secondary importance. In the past year alone Libya has granted the movements over \$25m. in aid.

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'Bloodiest Christmas truce' U.S. EXTENDS ITS BOMBING HALT

SAIGON (AP). — The U.S. yesterday extended the bombing halt throughout North Vietnam beyond 24 hours, while President Nixon reportedly seeks to resume the desiccated secret peace talks with Hanoi.

U.S. sources, confirming the extension, said they did not know how long it would last, and cautioned that the bombing could be resumed at any hour. But, just after midnight yesterday, Saigon time, they said no orders had been issued for air attacks against the North.

"The bombing halt has gone more than 24 hours now," said one senior U.S. official. "Right at the moment there's nothing going on. There is nothing moving. There is no indication when it will start again."

The bombing halt apparently is being extended hour by hour while Nixon seeks to obtain a response from Hanoi, the sources said.

"I would think our government would try to play this as long as it can," one said. "I would think they are telling the North Vietnamese we'll knock this off if they will sit down."

The U.S. Command refused comment maintaining its silence on the bombing halt.

The Saigon Command reported, meanwhile that South Vietnamese forces resumed combat operations at dusk yesterday following the end of the 24-hour cease-fire proclaimed by the government.

U.S. military sources confirmed that targets hit by U.S. bombers in the raids beginning last Monday included Radic Hanoi, Gia Lam airport which serves Hanoi, and nearby railway yards.

The South Vietnamese Command reported 60 violations during the government truce period which began and ended five hours later than the North Vietnamese truce.

The command said 115 persons were killed or wounded. It was the bloodiest Christmas truce in the history of the Indo-China war, military officials said.

Communist casualties during the same period were listed as 60 killed.

A U.S. air force B52 electronic intelligence jet bomber plane crashed on Saturday near Hanoi, according to an American spokesman said yesterday. Its three-man crew was killed.

Meanwhile, Soviet Premier Alexei Kosygin said yesterday the Soviet Union expected the U.S. to immediately halt bombing of North Vietnam and sign a cease-fire accord, the news agency said.

The agency said Kosygin made the statement during a meeting at the Kremlin with Hanoi's Ambassador to Moscow, Vo Thuc Dong.

London holds plane traveller carrying arms

LONDON (Reuters). — A man was detained on his arrival at London's Heathrow Airport yesterday on a flight from Lebanon after his suitcase was found to contain explosives and an automatic weapon.

Police refused to identify the man, who was taken in for questioning. He was expected to be held at the police station until today.

Airport sources said the only flight into London airport yesterday passing through Beirut was a BOAC plane from Bombay.

The man was believed to have been en route to Norway when detained at Heathrow.

A BOAC spokesman said he had no knowledge of the incident.



North Vietnamese militiamen march U.S. Air Force Sergeant Louis Edward Leblanc through a town northwest of Hanoi, according to the caption of this radiophoto broadcast by the official Hanoi news agency, VNA. It said Leblanc, a B-52 crewman, was captured on Friday by militiamen. (AP radiophoto)

Loss of B-52s in Vietnam not due to Sam improvements

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent
TEL AVIV. — The high losses the American air force has suffered in Vietnam over the past week were caused by extremely heavy Sam-2 bombardments and do not indicate revolutionary improvements in the Sam-2 missile itself, a senior military expert said yesterday.

Missile defences around Hanoi are thought to be among the heaviest in the world, and the North Vietnamese are believed to have fired an unprecedented number of missiles at the B-52s, he said. The losses should not cause concern to Israel.

Whereas the B-52 could handle several missiles at once in the past, the density of the current attacks over Hanoi proved too much for the planes' defences, it is thought.

The Sam-2, which was developed by the Soviets specifically for high flying aircraft such as the B-52 and the U-2 spy plane, has been improved periodically over the years. But no recent developments have been reported, and it would be premature to speculate that the recent losses in Vietnam indicated improvements in the system, it was explained.

The expert noted that in order to complete a bombing run the eight-engined B-52 locked onto a pre-dictated course, and during this period the huge, relatively slow-moving plane is highly vulnerable. As opposed to a supersonic fighter which can rely on both electronic defences and evasive action, the B-52 is limited to sending out "heat" in an attempt to lure the heat-seeking missile off its tail. When a large number of missiles are fired, apparently, one of the high-explosive bombs is bound to hit the target.

Israel has no plane in service comparable to the B-52. Egypt, especially after the Soviet ouster does not possess the same virtually unlimited number of Sam-2 missiles. Thus the threat to Israel is thought to be minimal. The expert noted that the planes most active in the attacks on Hanoi have been Phantom and Skyhawk, both planes in Israeli service, and both of which have suffered few losses in Vietnam.



A Nicaraguan family, with belongings piled high on a horse-drawn wagon, flees Managua past a poster of Santa Claus drinking a Coca Cola, one of the few things which remained standing in the stricken city. (AP radiophoto)

Tahal offers to replan Managua water system

Jerusalem Post Reporter
EL AVIV. — Tahal, the water planning company, has offered to help the Nicaraguan government to replan the water system in the earthquake-ruined capital of Managua. Tahal's director-general, Aharon Weiner, said yesterday.

Tahal is at present planning two large irrigation projects in Nicaragua. One is on the Pacific coast, the other on the Atlantic coast, both to cost about \$550,000. Four of the eight Tahal workers who were in the capital at the time of the earthquake were evacuated to Honduras.

Tahal has had some experience in replanning wrecked water systems: they planned the rehabilitation of the water and irrigation systems in the Kazwin area in Iran when it was stricken by an earthquake several years ago.

Avocados hardest hit Cold kills \$1.5m. worth of crops for export

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The cold wave has caused some \$1.5m. worth of damage to agriculture scheduled for export, and a further \$1.3m. of fruit and vegetables for the home market, Ministry of Agriculture officials estimated last night.

Most hard-hit were avocados, where damage is thought to be about \$1m. and bananas, with damage estimated at \$200,000. About 30 per cent of the total pepper and marrow crops for export were destroyed and some 20 per cent of the tomatoes and bananas.

However, temperatures rose 5 or 6 degrees Centigrade last night in some parts of the country including Haifa, and Lod, and the weatherman said last night. The rise is due to an easterly wind which is pushing the cold air out of the area. If the wind continued, he said, the cold wave could break.

A Vegetable Marketing Board official told The Post that no one yet knew the exact damage to agriculture caused by the cold. As the cold wave is not yet over, the farmers have not called in the assessors of Israel's Insurance Fund against Natural Risks to assess the damage. (All the vegetable and fruit growers are insured against frost damage.) According to the agreement between the farmers and the insurers, the farmers have up to 72 hours after the end of the frost to call in an assessor.

Vegetable Marketing Board officials do not believe that the present cold wave will affect the local vegetable market for the next two weeks to a month. (There

might even be a slight increase in the market of vegetables that will ripen prematurely because of the frost.) The Marketing Board official said that there will be no scarcity of potatoes.

The Ministry of Agriculture's frost warning service has been very busy during the cold spell, giving farmers information on the estimated lowest ground temperatures, and advice on how to deal with the cold.

Libyan haj stamps stress Jerusalem's 'Arab character'

TRIPOLI (Reuters). — Libya has issued stamps "confirming the Arab character of Jerusalem," the official Libyan news agency said here yesterday.

It said the stamps bore the images of the Dome of the Rock and the Al-Aksa Mosque in Jerusalem.

The stamps will be in circulation early next month as part of Islamic pilgrimage (haj) celebrations.

12 DEAD IN CARIBBEAN PLANE CRASH

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (UPI). — A twin-engine plane chartered by Air France crashed Sunday night on the Caribbean island of St. Maarten, the U.S. Coast Guard said yesterday. All 12 persons aboard were presumed dead.

The Coast Guard said the search was continuing but hopes were slight that anyone lived through the crash.

Truman worse

ANSAS CITY, Missouri (UPI). — Former President Harry S. Truman's health steadily deteriorated yesterday and doctors said "death could occur within hours." His 87-year-old wife, Bess, was at his bedside.

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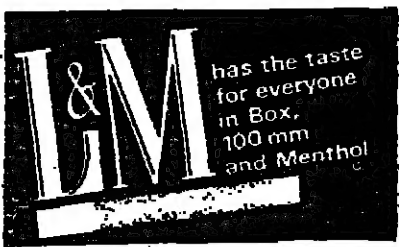
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Social and Personal

President Zelman Shazar on Sunday received Dr. Israel Goldstein.

The Premier of New Brunswick, Canada, Mr. Richard Hatfield, here under the auspices of State of Israel Bonds, yesterday called on Mr. David Ben-Gurion at his home in Sde Boker.

The Philippine Embassy has donated US\$700 to the Jewish National Fund towards a forest in honour of Dr. Jose P. Rizal, a Philippine poet and patriot. The project was initiated by the Israeli-Philippine Friendship League.

F.A. Lewinson, Editor of the economic monthly "Israel's Aussehen", managing director of "The Israel Export and Trade Journal", and representative of the Hannover Fair in Israel, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross by the German Federal Republic for promoting Israel-German trade relations.

At the 17th annual conference of Makdan, the real estate agents association, held this week in Jerusalem, Mr. Baruch Kainer was re-elected National Chairman. The new board consists of Messrs. W. Scheitler (hon. pres.), A. Ahsdout (hon. treas.), T. Bier, W. Lovat, Jerusalem; S. Ertanger, I. Deutsch, M. Horowitz, S. Rosenberg, H. Richman, Haifa; S. I. Baum, D. Blumberg, A. Berger, J. Berger, D. Vidor, E. Levy, Tel Aviv; J. Gershman, Z. Hekman, Ramat Gan; J. Ben-Yehuda, Ashdod.

Prof. Menachem Elon will lecture (in Hebrew) on "Development and Creation in Jewish Law in the Post-Talmudic Period," today, Tuesday, December 26, 1972, at 6.15 p.m., at the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities, 43 Jabotinsky, Tel-Aviv, Jerusalem.

Col. James Irwin, the Apollo-15 astronaut, will give a lecture, with slides, on his expedition to the moon, at a meeting of local Rotary clubs this evening at the new Pan American Hotel in Bat Yam.

The David Yellin Prize for education and Israel studies will be awarded to Dr. Menashe Harel, for his books "This Is Jerusalem" and "Travels in the Desert of Judea and the Dead Sea Area," this evening at 8 p.m. in the Jerusalem City Hall.

Prof. R. Mason, of the School of Molecular Sciences, University of Sussex, Brighton, U.K., will lecture on "Structure and Function of Non-Heme Iron Proteins" tomorrow, at 12 noon, in Lecture Hall Gmel, Hebrew University's School of Pharmacy, Ein Karem, Jerusalem.

MEMORIAL SERVICES: A memorial service on the Sholomchik will be held for Dr. Rafael Admon tomorrow, December 27, 1972, at 11 a.m. at the entrance to Har Hamelechot, Jerusalem.

A memorial service for the late Yosef Hefman will be held on Thursday at 4 p.m. at the Nahlat Yitzhak Cemetery, Tel Aviv.

A memorial service will be held at the Holon Cemetery on the fifth anniversary of the death of the late Yitzhak Rimon at 3 p.m. on Thursday.

ARRIVALS: Minister of Communications and Transport, Mr. Shimon Peres, from a speaking tour of the U.S. on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal (by El Al). Pop singer Carole King for six public appearances (by El Al).

DEPARTURES: Dr. Anatol Axer, head of the orthopaedic department of Assaf Harofeh Hospital, for Kappur, India, to lecture at a congress of the Association for Surgery and Orthopaedics.

A STREET behind Beit Tzabotzin in the old commercial centre of Jerusalem was yesterday named after the late Alid Dvor, who served as deputy mayor from 1965-68.

THE UNITED SYNAGOGUE OF ISRAEL. Expresses its profound sorrow on the death of our beloved teacher Professor Abraham Joshua Heschel.

In deep sorrow we announce the passing of Dr. ANSHELM FRANK. The funeral will set out today, Tuesday, December 26, 1972, at 3 p.m. from the family residence, 58 Rehov Keren Kayemet, Tivon, for the Kiryat Atid Cemetery.



Friests file out of St. Catherine's Basilica in Bethlehem about one a.m. yesterday, after the Pontifical High Mass. The procession wound its way down to the Grotto of the Nativity. (Bar-Tal)

Quietest, coldest Christmas in years

BETHLEHEM. — Church bells resounded throughout the frost-covered hills of this ancient town yesterday morning, calling worshippers to the concluding services of the coldest Christmas in over 10 years. But shortly after the 90-minute mid-morning Pontifical High Mass at St. Catherine's Church, inside the Basilica of the Nativity, it was business as usual in Bethlehem. Workmen started clearing away paper streamers and broken wine bottles, left behind on Christmas Eve by the thousands of pilgrims and tourists who crowded into the centre of town. Manager Square reverted to its usual function — a parking lot. City Hall has vowed it will turn it into a grand plaza before too many more Christmases. The town reopened to traffic yesterday morning during the preceding 24 hours entry was permitted only to pilgrims and to local Christians bearing special passes. Security check-posts were removed from the outskirts of Bethlehem and soldiers were withdrawn from the central squares, leaving behind just a few green-bereted border policemen to safeguard security after the quietest of the six Christmases yet celebrated under Israeli rule. Bethlehem will again be celebrating the birth of Christ on the night of January 6 — the Greek Orthodox Christmas. Twelve days later will be the Armenian Christmas. Like the head of the Roman Catholic Church in Jerusalem, the patriarchs of these communities will also travel from the Old City to Bethlehem in ceremonial processions on their Christmas Eves. In the neighbouring Arab countries Christmas celebrations were modest. Only in Lebanon (where Christmas is also observed on three different dates) was there a festive atmosphere. In Jordan, Christmas observances were confined to religious services, in accordance with the church leadership's request to avoid fanfare "in view of the prevailing circumstances" in the Middle East. The same held true for Syria, although Damascus marked the occasion by lifting a five-year-old ban on missionary schools (which were seized by the government and operated as state schools following the Six Day War). In Egypt, where an official Christian-Muslim confrontation is in progress, the government declared Christmas a national holiday for the first time. The move was seen as a gesture of good will towards the country's six million Copts — who observe Christmas on January 6 and 7.

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Immigrants to settle at new Rafah centre

New immigrants will be among the 350 families to settle at the planned Rafah regional centre, Jewish Agency settlement director Yehiel Admon said last night in an interview over Israel Radio. He said the immigrants had asked to settle at this centre, whose establishment was approved by the Cabinet on Sunday. Packing and freezing plants for produce will be built there to serve existing and future Jewish settlements in the area. Also expected to live in the centre are families of army men serving nearby. Asked whether the settlement had anything to do with Mr. Dayan's proposed city of Yamit in the Rafah area, Mr. Admon answered, "absolutely not. As you know, there's been no decision on Yamit, and the regional centre we've planned is not on the scale of a city." As to the Beduin in the area, Mr. Admon said that early planning for the new centre had not dealt with them. But he added that he thought the Beduin would be able to utilize the centre's services as they come into being. Meanwhile the New Communist Knesset faction yesterday requested an urgent debate on the refugee rehousing project now underway at Rafah, on the grounds that "great suffering has been caused thousands of Palestine Arab families" through the moves. The project aims at rehousing about half the Rafah camps 7,500 families elsewhere in the Gaza Strip.

Haifa Mayor doesn't like pay phones

HAIFA. — Mayor Moshe Fleiman has ordered the installation of new pay telephones in the streets of the City stopped. "They do not come up to the minimum of aesthetic requirements, it was said. The order came shortly after the telephone department set up several unenclosed pay telephones near the curb, with only a plastic roof and walls on two sides. The Mayor stated his aesthetic objections in the City Council yesterday, when he answered a complaint of councillor Gustav Badian (Gahal), who had written him last week that these open phones cost less. Phones of this type were in use throughout the world, and elsewhere in the country, he said, and claimed they were safer and cleaner, less vulnerable to sabotage and vandalism, and the telephone directories in them lasted longer. "Are you taking upon yourself the responsibility of denying a resident the possibility of an emergency call from a public telephone at night by your objection?" he asked the Mayor. In other business, the council unanimously approved a twinning pact with San Francisco and with Aalborg, in northern Denmark. It also approved allocation of IL400,000 to convert the former fire house in Rehov Pevsner, near the City Theatre, into a parking lot for 80 cars (Councillor Shlomo Jungmann urged an allocation of IL1,200,000 for 240 cars). IL12,000 for the Central Synagogue choir, IL5m. to convert Rehov Freud in Ahuzit into a thoroughfare down to the coastal road, and IL5.5m. for a sports centre in Romema.

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Army rejects WILSON: half of delinquents drafted

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER, Jerusalem Post Reporter. MIGDAL HA'EMEK. — Of the 150 juvenile delinquents who were released from prison to join the army in the past 18 months, about half have adjusted well. But the other half didn't make it in the army, and some are known to have returned to crime. Police Minister Shlomo Hillel said yesterday. Speaking to an audience of students here, the Minister noted that some 10,000 juveniles are arrested every year for various offences — but only about 250 of them are sentenced to prison terms. On the arrest of the spy ring suspects, Mr. Hillel said Israel is a democracy which assures its citizens freedom of speech and assembly. Police cannot make arrests every time a couple of students sit down to talk. But the fact that the ring was cracked before it could cause any damage — yet without infringing on anyone's civil rights — was a credit to Israel's democracy as well as to her security services, he said. Mr. Hillel was the guest of this development town yesterday. He visited industrial plants and cultural institutions before meeting the students to answer their questions.

Israel pioneered in nation-shaping

By ASHER WALLFISH and ERNIE MEYER, Jerusalem Post Reporters. British Labour leader Harold Wilson praised Israeli advances in social democracy yesterday and said he was sure the entire world would one day be aware of Israel's pioneering in the shaping of a nation. Addressing a luncheon in his honour given by Foreign Minister Abba Eban in Jerusalem, the Leader of the Opposition in Westminster said he had been deeply moved by an inter-faith celebration in Bethlehem on Christmas Eve. Giles Wilson, who came to lunch from the kibbutz where he is staying as a volunteer, got a warm compliment from his father — that his Hebrew was already good enough to stand up in a press interview in the elder Wilson's presence. The British Ambassador, W. Bernard Ledwidge, was present, as were Commerce Minister Haim Bar-Lev and the President of the Supreme Court, Justice Shimon Agranat. From dinner Mr. Wilson went on to the Knesset, where he spent some 30 minutes with the chairman of the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, Mr. Haim Zedek, and a group of Committee members. Mr. Wilson said the British Labour Party favoured a firm stand

Mistaken identity

LOD AIRPORT. — Anglo-American businessman Edward J. Marcus, barred from entering the country 15 months ago for alleged Mafia connections, arrived here Sunday evening for a two-week visit with Interior Ministry permission. Mr. Marcus had originally been barred on suspicion he was to meet here with Meyer Lansky, then still in Israel. The U.S.-based businessman, who was accompanied yesterday by his Israel-born wife Tania, was at pains to deny any connection either with Lansky or the Mafia, and said he had been confused with another man. When Mr. Marcus last arrived on June 5, 1971, he was kept in the Lod terminal building, questioned all night by police, and sent back to London the next day. A statement put out then said there was suspicion he had come to participate in a Mafia summit with Lansky and Joe Stamber. Marcus, who said yesterday he had visited Israel often between 1963 and 1970 without any difficulty, had contacted attorney Zvi Lidzky to fight the Interior Minister's action barring him entry. At one point he applied to the High Court for an order nisi, but, as he explained yesterday, later withdrew the application to wait quietly and see how matters would develop. Marcus, a tall, fortyish man with piercing blue eyes, showed his British passport yesterday as he went through customs with his wife, whom he met in Germany, and his two-and-a-half-year-old daughter. He showed him a letter from Interior Ministry Assistant Director-General Yehudit Huesner authorizing him to visit Israel provided he informs the Ministry ahead of time. When the policeman who handed the formalities reminded him that the entry permit was for only two weeks, he said, "That's all we asked for." (Tina)

Sentence of 'disturbed' girl upped to 15 months

Jerusalem Post Reporter. A 29-year-old woman who cashed forged travellers' cheques (on the basis of forged passports) to feed expensive habits — including drugs — was sentenced to 15 months' imprisonment yesterday by the High Court of Appeals in Jerusalem. The court was acting on an appeal by the State that the three-month sentence given the girl in a lower court did not suit the crime. The woman, Michaela Savin of Herzliya, will probably spend no more than six months in jail, however. She has already spent four months in custody (including two in a closed institution for mental patients) and is expected to get five off for good behavior. Her lawyer, Mr. Elisha Kedari of Tel Aviv, told The Post last night that his client was badly disturbed and needed more help than she could get from the mental hospital where she was sent to help her get over her drug habit. (She used to take hashish, LSD, opium, barbiturates, it was learned, and she had two previous drug convictions.) But the lawyer agreed that the courts had been more than fair with Miss Savin — especially since she repeated the forgery and fraud offence while she was on probation and just a few days before her appeal came up. He said the forged passports and travellers' cheques she passed were provided by a "gang of crooks" she fell in with during a period of "mental deterioration." But she spent at least part of the proceeds — estimated at thousands of pounds — on shopping sprees and hotel "vacations." The bench took into account Miss Savin's "unfortunate personal circumstances" — which the lawyer said included the paralysis of her lawyer-father through an accident 11 years ago — but agreed with the prosecution that the offences were serious and that a stiffer penalty was called for.

Photo exhibit on Rumania

Jerusalem Post Reporter. TEL AVIV. — The Rumanian Ambassador, Mr. Ioana Cioba, yesterday opened an exhibition of photographs on the theme "Rumania and its Development." The show, at the Eranl B'Yith Hall, marks the 28th anniversary of the establishment of the Rumanian republic. It will be open to the public for one week. (Tina)

Technion students end strike

Jerusalem Post Reporter. HAIFA. — Technion first- and second-year students returned to their studies yesterday, ending a three-day protest strike demanding changes in their credits study system. Their threat to start a general strike tomorrow, unless their problems are settled, still stands, but by last night there was hope that the talks started with the management would avert the strike. The management had refused to talk while the strike lasted.

Eleanor and Alan Lorber are delighted to announce the birth of a Daughter. Sister to Jonathan and Gideon, Savyon, Granddaughter to Hannah and Irving Nipomnick, U.S.A. and Ruby and Bert Herman, Ramat Gan.

Radio authority rejects inserts on road safety

Jerusalem Post Reporter. A proposal to oblige Israel Radio to broadcast programmes on traffic safety prepared by the Ministry of Transport was attacked at a meeting of the Broadcasting Authority plenum yesterday. (The proposal is now before the Knesset Economic Committee.) Criticism was heard at the meeting of the erroneous "warning" to Jordan broadcast over Israel Radio two weeks ago. Several members said the incident should never have been permitted to occur. In a resolution adopted unanimously, the plenum said a bill forcing the Authority to broadcast a programme prepared by others would set an "unwelcome precedent." The plenum noted that the Authority itself devotes considerable air time to the subject of road safety. Criticism was also raised over the fact that the U.S. astronauts' landing on the moon was not broadcast live over Israel TV — as it was in Jordan. In reply, chairman Walter Elyan noted that a 10-minute extract would have cost more than IL40,000.

Air Force finds lost trawler

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent. Air Force planes yesterday located an Israeli fishing vessel which had been adrift since Saturday. The three-man crew were reported to be in excellent health, the Army spokesman announced. Police were informed by the owner of the vessel, yesterday, that it had left Jaffa on Saturday for Ashdod and had not arrived. The ship was due in Ashdod early Sunday. The police called in the air force and navy. Late yesterday afternoon the ship was sighted 16 miles off shore with its engines out of order. A naval craft which arrived at the scene managed to repair them and the fishing vessel reached Ashdod on its own steam towards evening. How the ship vanished without trace for nearly 48 hours is being investigated. All vessels usually carry emergency flares.

Alignment gains in Jerusalem poll

The Alignment took 70 per cent of the votes in the Jerusalem municipal workers union in last week's poll. This represents a seven per cent rise over the last poll in 1970. Final figures from the Labour Party head offices reported an 80 per cent turnout of the 3,900 eligible voters. Participation was more than 90 per cent among Arab voters. The religious bloc got 19 per cent — a drop of one per cent — and Gahal lost four per cent, to 11 per cent of the total.

BABY BURNED TO DEATH

Jerusalem Post Reporter. BEERSHEVA. — A baby boy died and his four-year-old brother was burned in a fire in an apartment here yesterday afternoon. The children, six-month-old Eyal Tamarkin and his brother Guy, were alone in their room on Rambam Street at 3.15 p.m. when flames from a kerosene heater set the baby's bedclothes alight. The boys' mother, Mrs. Ziva Tamarkin, ran into the room, but Eyal was already asphyxiated. The other boy was reported out of danger last night. The father is an army officer serving in the BeerSheva area.

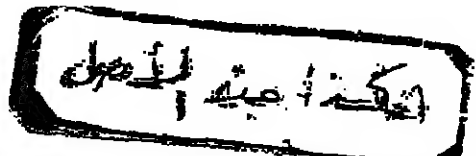
Child killed by tractor. ROSE HA'AYIN. — A two-year-old boy, Ayan Tassa, was run over and killed by a tractor here yesterday evening. No further details were available last night. The police are investigating. (Tina)

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ENGINEERS COULD UPSET ENTIRE WAGE STRUCTURE

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent
The engineers' demand for a wage scale, if accepted, is likely to blow up all the existing collective agreements.

Turning to Professor Ephraim Kleinman (who has criticized capital imports), Mr. Sapir was unequivocal: "I take full responsibility for declaring that none of the dollars inflow into Israel during the last two years has been speculative funds."

down how much the wage increase will be. It should be confined to dealing with the wider problems affecting income, such as taxes, prices, profits, social security, and particular subjects like the minimum wage, or methods of incentive pay.

Mr. Yacov Nitzan, the Civil Service Commissioner, urged an end to retroactive wage agreements. "They should apply from the time that they are signed and not before," he said.

Second, we should seek to conclude three-year collective agreements (instead of two-year agreements) with a Cost-of-Living allowance to compensate for any price increase during the intervening period.

Several speakers discussed the vexed question of "spikes" wage increases currently under negotiation, as authorized in Clause 27 of the latest civil service labour contract.

Immigrants go on strike to live somewhere else

LOD AIRPORT. — Several dozen new immigrants were "striking" yesterday to back up a demand for housing in places where none is available.

Wildcat strike at Beit Shemesh engine plant

BEIT SHEMESH. — More than 400 employees of Beit Shemesh Engines walked out on a wildcat strike yesterday morning, after negotiations on their new labour contract broke up earlier in the day.

'Nazi' epithet earns youth 4 months jail

A Jerusalem yeshiva student who yelled "Nazis get out!" at policemen during a demonstration was sent to jail for four months by an angry judge in Jerusalem Magistrates' Court yesterday.

The youth, Moshe Deutsch, 23, was on trial with a building worker and four other yeshiva students arrested three months ago during a rowdy Mea Shearim protest against the imprisonment of the yeshiva students who firebombed Tel Aviv's Eros sex shop.

The demonstration filled Mea Shearim's Kikar Shabbat area for seven hours on the night of September 26. Thousands of protesters blocked roads with bonfires, jeered and stoned police and even threw a Molotov cocktail at a police car.

In court yesterday Judge Shalgi, his voice choked with anger, declared: "I cannot understand how this villain (Deutsch) found the gall to use such language at an Israeli policeman."

Judge Shalgi described the crimes of the Nazis against the Jews and the "dark hatred" that must have pushed the accused to compare Jewish policemen with Nazis.

The five others in the dock were yeshiva students Dov Biederman, 30, Aharon Bord, 21, Moshe Neustein, 22, and Yosef Mahler, 32, and building worker Yosef Merubian, 23. All were fined IL100 each.

Ma'abara-dwellers strike Head of slum-clearance company dismissed

HAIFA. — Some 50 couples left their children at home in the Kiryat Haim ma'abara yesterday morning to demonstrate outside City Hall against the alleged intention of the Shikmona slum clearance company to fire its manager, Mr. Zvi Belsar.

"We trust him. He knows the conditions under which we live," said first hand. He is the only city official who has taken the trouble to visit our ma'abara," David Amar, the energetic spokesman of the ma'abara-dwellers, said yesterday.

"Now a new man is to take over and start from scratch? We won't stand for it," he said.

Mr. Amar is also chairman of the North African Settlers Association in Haifa.

He warned that "we'll take more energetic action over this. We'll ask the Government to take a closer look at what's going on in City Hall."

The ma'abara dwellers held a sit-down strike with their children outside City Hall at the end of May and went home again only after an agreement was signed with the Municipality and the housing company to liquidate the last remaining asbestos huts in the area.

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Air Force takes over all air defence

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent
The Air Force has taken over responsibility for all air defences, including anti-aircraft batteries hitherto a section of the artillery.

Since the Six Day War, at least 24 enemy planes — including two Mig-21 fighters — have been shot down by anti-aircraft fire, he said.

The aircraft were shot down by Hawk missiles bought from the U.S. in 1965 and 40mm, L-70, and 20mm guns.

Aluf Hod said that the addition of the Hawks to the defence system had contributed greatly to Israel's deterrent capability.

The price of each Hawk missile, according to one command, has now assumed responsibility. Personnel are trained at a specialised school which boasts some of the world's most modern training devices.

For the future, Aluf Hod said Israel was considering the purchase of American and European missile defences against low-flying aircraft.

Members of the anti-aircraft batteries, he said, have joined the fighting ranks. They are among the only soldiers who serve the entire duration of their compulsory service at advanced positions along the front line, he noted.

Large families seek big tax reductions

Israel's large families would get substantial income tax cuts, free schooling through university, and numerous other financial benefits — if a bill drafted by the organization that represents these families ever passed the Knesset.

The Organization for the Rights of Large Families (in Hebrew "Families Blessed with Many Children") told a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday that it had drafted legislation under which large families would pay IL1,000 less income tax for every child from the fourth on.

But spokesman Eliezer Jaffa and Avraham Danino said the time was not yet ripe for trying to get the bill tabled in the Knesset.

In the meantime, however, the organization has managed to secure half-price subscription tickets for its members to the Jerusalem Theatre and is planning to build three shopping centres where its members could save "about IL150 a month."

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Fred Monosson dies, aged 80

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Cabinet to name board of Sde Boker college

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Government has finally set up an association to run Midrasha Sde Boker — the Sde Boker College. This is the translation into concrete terms of the Cabinet decision taken on the 85th birthday of David Ben-Gurion, who brought the college into being, to assume responsibility for the Midrasha.

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JERUSALEM, NORTH HARDEST HIT

Egg shortage at least until January 10

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The present egg shortage will continue until about January 10, when supplies are expected to catch up with demand. But if nothing is done to increase egg marketing, the shortage will continue in Jerusalem and the North get eggs from the Tel Aviv region.

Truiva fears it will lose customers to its competitors. Mr. Argov explained that poultry farmers produce about 1,000 million eggs a year. The country was now short five million eggs. He added that "if not for the present cold snap, there would have been no shortage at all."

Letting board sources re-emphasized that Truiva, which about 50 per cent of the best animals to raise its eggs from the highly competitive market in Tel Aviv to and the North. They say

"INTERNATIONAL NURSES DAY" was celebrated by Kupat Holim at Beth Shalom Hospital in Petah Tikva yesterday. Dr. Michael Resh, of Tel Aviv University, lectured on the role computers would play in the medical profession.

Labour opposes joining Givatayim and Ramat Gan

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party leadership has made known its opposition to the idea of merging Ramat Gan and Givatayim, and is also delaying local elections there until 1977.

The proposal, put forward by local politicians from the Alignment, Gahal and the N.R.P., envisaged the merger of the municipalities between Ramat Gan Mayor Israel Peled (Gahal) and Givatayim Mayor Kuba Kreisman (Alignment).

Mr. Kreisman had already notified his Givatayim party branch that he will not run in next year's elections, and obtained the blessing of the Ramat Gan branch to be their candidate next year instead.

However, unexpected difficulties have arisen inside his own party, with the Givatayim Labour politicians wanting a younger man as their new candidate, someone whom is at odds with Mr. Kreisman.

These aspects were not lost on Labour Party head offices which turned down the scheme broached over the weekend by Mr. Kreisman in talks with Labour Party Secretary-General Aharon Yadin and other top party officials.

Israel's case convinces Danish F.M.

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent
Danish Foreign Minister K.B. Andersen, who visited Israel last week, is convinced that Israel's Middle East position is flexible enough. Israel has no real option but to hold onto the gains of the 1967 war until peace negotiations begin.

pressed for amendments in the Danish U.N. draft resolution which called for sanctions against Israel. In its original form, Mr. Andersen said, the draft would have been opposed by most of the E.E.C. states, and this would have been a moral victory for Israel.

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Real estate advertisement for Anglo-Saxon Real Estate Agency Ltd. featuring properties in Raanana, Maalot Cottages, Herzliya Crest, and Herzliya Apartment Homes. Includes contact information and prices.

Meir's Paris visit embarrasses French gov't before election

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Mrs. Golda Meir's decision to attend the Socialist International meeting in Paris next month is causing serious embarrassment to the French government a few weeks before the general election on March 4.

Even before the Israeli Premier's plans were made public, President Pompidou was apprehensive about the behaviour of France's Jewish voters who, although they represent only one per cent of the electorate,

could play an important role in a closely fought contest. Mrs. Meir's presence in Paris is certain to turn the government's pro-Arab Middle East policy into a key issue at the very moment when the election campaign will be getting under way. Pompidou and his campaign organizers can expect new Gaullist recruits to the small group of majority M.P.s led by Gerard Marcus and Jacques Daur, who have never ceased criticizing the government's handling of the Middle East situation.

The government is also worried about the security aspects of Mrs. Meir's visit. Huge forces of police will have to be mobilized to guard her. The Palestinian organizations claim that they have never carried out any terrorism on French soil. But a number of letter bombs have been mailed to the Israeli embassy here. A few weeks ago Arab gunmen assassinated Khoder Kannon, a Syrian agent who was suspected of working for the Israeli secret service, at his Paris flat. So there can be no guarantee that Mrs. Meir will not be the target of Arab terrorists during her stay in France.

Eban expects official invitation to France

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Foreign Minister Abba Eban is likely to pay an official visit to France during the first half of next year. An invitation from the French Government is known to be in the pipeline, and when it comes through the Foreign Minister is expected to accept.

At the present time, the proposal stands in marked contrast to official irritation at Mrs. Meir's decision to attend the Socialist International in Paris next month.

Mr. Eban's visit — probably soon after the French elections in March — will be his first since autumn 1968, when he called on the then-Foreign Minister Michael Debre on his way to the U.N. in New York. Since then, the cool relations between Paris and Jerusalem have precluded any official visits by ministers.

The "positive aspects" of French policy towards Israel. The Ambassador himself said later that he had indeed stressed the positive features — but he had been stressing them since he took up his post here two years ago.

The Foreign Ministry spokesman refused to comment on reports of the invitation to Mr. Eban, but reliable sources refused to deny them — noting that they had first been aired by the Paris weekly "Le Canard Enchaîné." These sources said that discussions on the proposed visit were proceeding in Paris and that no date had yet been set or details arranged.

(In Paris, Reuter reports that the French Foreign Ministry declined comment on the reports.)

West Germany's Socialist Chancellor Willy Brandt is unlikely to come to Paris for the conference, which will be held on January 13 and 14. Brandt is due here a week later to mark the tenth anniversary of the Franco-German friendship treaty.

Other V.I.P.s invited to attend include Austrian Premier Bruno Kreisky, Sweden's Prime Minister Olaf Palme, Danish Premier Jørgensen and former British Premier Harold Wilson (now visiting Israel).

French Socialist first secretary François Mitterrand is delighted with the decision of Mrs. Meir. The presence of a galaxy of foreign Socialist leaders will be a big electoral boost to the left-wing opposition in France.



King Hussein of Jordan drives the royal car with his new wife, Queen Abla al-Husseini, next to him, after the wedding ceremony in Amman on Sunday. The bride celebrated her 24th birthday yesterday. Reports from Amman said Hussein's ex-wife, Princess Muna (née Honey Gardner), had decided to stay in Amman with her four children, and that the King had given her a palace on the outskirts of Amman. She will retain the title, "Her Royal Highness." (AP radiophoto)

Amin's car said ambushed

By DAVID MARTIN
DAR-ES-SALAAM (Otas) —

An attempt was made 12 days ago to assassinate Uganda's President, General Idi Amin, according to diplomatic and other reports filtering out of Kampala.

These usually well-informed sources say the attempted assassination occurred on Thursday, December 14, when General Amin's car was returning from Mutukula in the Tanzanian border area, where he had gone to watch a military exercise by ground troops and the Air Force.

One or more marksmen thought to have been using automatic weapons, are said to have ambushed the car, but apparently the Ugandan leader was no longer in it. Reports say that the driver was killed and so was a passenger in Army uniform. It is understood he was an NCO, possibly a corporal. Highly placed Ugandan sources have confirmed the story, but no official announcement has been made in Kampala.

General Amin's habit of changing cars while he is travelling around the country is well known and the suggestion is that the marksmen, seeing a man in uniform in the car, opened fire erroneously assuming it was the Ugandan President.

The likelihood of an attempt to assassinate the General in South-West Uganda must be rated high. Some of the people who took part in the September invasion attempt to overthrow General Amin are still believed to be in the area.

Finland: From passive to active neutrality

By RICHARD C. LONGWORTH
TAMPERE, Finland (UPI). —

A large sign advertising the Moskvich, a Russian car, stands above this Finnish city. But two other signs — for Ford and Volkswagon — are bigger.

In a way, these signs symbolize a subtle shift in Finland's changing attitude toward the West on one hand and its lurking ever-present neighbour, the Soviet-Union, on the other. Often, Russia seems to get not-quite-equal time.

"Our relations with Russia are very complex," a Finnish journalist explained over a lunch of reindeer steak and vodka in the restaurant atop Tampere's 168-metre observation tower. "There never has been hate. And now there's not really fear. More of a concern, maybe — but I sleep quiet at night."

"We know there will be no invasion." This confidence has led Finland to abandon its "passive neutrality" — often called "the policy of inactivity" — in favour of "active neutrality." Mostly, this means it has gone into the East-West bridge-building business in a big way, as the first host for the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks (Salt) and now the site of the exploratory talks on a European Security Conference.

Finland was once part of Russia, has fought two wars with the Russians and even ended up on the German side in World War Two because of its opposition to the Soviet Union. This sort of history leaves visible marks.

Tampere, for instance, has a Russian Orthodox church with seven onion domes and many long wooden buildings in the Russian dacha style, complete with the tiny Russian /ortokhna windows that let in air

while keeping out the cold. But all this is being overshadowed by new modern neighbours with Scandinavian architecture and a towering Lutheran church known locally as the "silo of souls."

Finland's policy is much the same. Finland still proclaims its neutrality and its Russian-speaking President, Urho Kekkonen, goes hunting frequently with Soviet leader Leonid I. Brezhnev. About 5,000 Finns cross the border daily to help moderate or build Soviet industries.

But at the same time, Finland is expanding its ties with the West — to the point that it negotiated a free-trade treaty with the European Common Market, Russia, which opposes the Common Market, had so many doubts about this deal that Kekkonen promised Brezhnev that Finland would renounce the treaty if it damaged Finnish-Soviet trade. Even then, the Finnish Government agonized publicly over whether to sign.

The agonizing was sincere. Finland's proper role between East and West is under intense study. "We do only 12 per cent of our trade with Russia now — and we are desperately searching for ways to increase it," a Government official said.

U.S. search for Liberian freighter

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP). —

The U.S. Coast Guard mounted a mid-Pacific search yesterday for a Liberian freighter with a Korean crew, that radioed it was sinking in heavy seas.

A spokesman said a sister ship of the vessel had arrived on the scene, west of Portland, Oregon, but found no trace of the vessel.

MAO, STILL FIT AND ALERT, TURNS 79 TODAY

By JOHN RODERICK

TOKYO (AP). — Today the world's oldest, most famous and most enigmatic revolutionary, China's Mao Tse-tung, turns 79.

A touch of rheumatism has weakened his legs and he no longer can eat the peppery dishes of his native Hunan Province. But after the rigours of 51 years of revolution, war and his own style of peace, he is, by all accounts, in remarkably good shape both physically and mentally.

When he dies, as one day he must, it may be something of an anticlimax. Since the 1920s hardly a year has passed without an imminent report of his death or imminent demise.

Chairman of the world's biggest Communist Party, with a membership of about 20 million, he is, at least on paper, the most powerful man in a nation of 720 million people. During the great proletarian Cultural Revolution of 1966-69, which he instigated to cleanse the nation of its wayward tendencies toward bourgeois democracy and capitalism — he was something of a proletarian demi-god.

The Little Red Book of his quotations was in everyone's hands. Harold-sized paintings, statues and photographs beamed down from a million vantage points. He was described fulsomely as great, glorious and infallible. But the days of such ostentatious display are passing, reportedly at Mao's own insistence. On his second visit to China in September, the writer found fewer evidences of Mao glorification than he had in the spring of 1971.

New signs of the changing times appear on 1973 calendars and seasonal greeting cards reaching Tokyo from the mainland. Buildings, landscapes, factory complexes, and seascapes are the themes — few if any feature the once obligatory paintings of the cherubic-faced leader or his



A little boy walks in the shadow of a demi-god: despite the steady decline of the personality cult in China, huge posters such as this — showing Chairman Mao below an immense Red Flag — still abound. This one stands in Peking. (Sven Simon, Camera Press)

At an age when most men have long ago opted for the easy chair and the fireside, Mao continues to be active. He has lost the drive he had when the writer knew him in the cave capital of Yenan 25 years ago. And he has declined since his last great surge during the cultural purge, when he moved men about like pieces on a chessboard, aroused the Chinese millions in rally after rally and laid down rules of conduct for the deadly game being played.

The day-to-day affairs of China now are run by 78-year-old Premier Chou En-lai, still purposeful and dynamic despite the enormous demands of social and political life. In business terms he is the executive, while Mao is chairman of the board, displayed on important occasions, consulted when critical decisions must be made.

Though he did not appear at the traditional May Day and October First anniversary day celebrations this year, Mao put the stamp of his still immense prestige on the visits of a succession of international leaders, among them U.S. President Nixon, Japanese Prime Minister Tanaka, Sri Lanka's Prime Minister Bandaranaike, Pakistan's President Bhutto, and Prime Minister Bista of Nepal. Dressed in a

gray tunic, a smile on his face and a quip at the ready, Mao received them in almost imperial style in his modest home in Peking's Chungnanhai Park. Photographs of the encounters, published in the official Peking "Peoples Daily," were the seal of approval to Peking summits.

A peasant's son who studied to be a teacher and thought of himself in that role the rest of his life, Mao is an intellectual wedded to the politician. Endowed with a deep historical sense from his youthful reading of the Chinese classics, he enjoyed a lifelong romance with the notion of peasant power.

He has seen China for what it is — a nation still overwhelmingly agricultural in which the peasant, and not the worker, plays the key role. In this he differed with the classical thesis of Marxism proclaimed by Moscow. This difference, combined with disillusionment following disastrous policy mistakes on the Chinese Revolution by the Moscow-dominated Comintern in the 1920s, 1930s, and 1940s, brought about a cleavage between Mao and the Russians and their Chinese disciples. It was Mao who encouraged the break as he conducted one purge after the other to separate the Chinese sheep from the Soviet goats.

These years of peacetime brainwashing, breast beating and nationwide chaos were intended, Mao said, to clear the way for new advances along the revolutionary path. In some cases, the results were positive. The economy leaped, the party closed its ranks. But the human cost was huge. Instead of creating an ideal Maoist man, capable of working in the fields and the factories as well as shouldering a gun and understanding Marxist philosophy, these repeated assaults on the human ego encouraged slavish conformity, surliness and resentment.

As the years passed and the purges continued, the ideologically minded men and women who had survived the long Chinese march with Mao to a new order in China fell one by one in the more dangerous days of peace. One of the first to go was Kao Kang, boss of Manchuria, reported to have died by his own hand in 1955. Four years later, Mao's old crony, Peng Teh-huai, the Minister of Defence, resisted the demands of the "great leap forward" on the army. He lost all his posts and became a non-person.

After this, Mao himself went into eclipse, supplanted in fact, if not in name, by the party pragmatists led by Liu Shao-chi, who succeeded Mao in the Presidency.

Mao fought back in 1965, putting the match to the powder keg of the cultural revolution, a purge greater, more far-reaching and divisive than any other. When it was over Liu had been dismissed and pilloried, a thousand old Mao companions relegated to the ash heap of Maoist history.

Those who emerged unscathed were regarded as the very marrow of loyalty: Lin Biao, the Defence Minister and heir designate, Chen Po-ta, Mao's old secretary, and a dozen others, including Chiang Ching Mao's wife, and the durable Chou En-lai.

But by October 1, 1971, Chen and Lin Biao had disappeared. Later Mao and Chou privately acknowledged what nearly everyone else had guessed: Even the oldest and closest friends can become enemies. Who impelled the mousey, self-effacing Lin to become Mao's foe has yet to be clearly explained. Caesar's weakness — ambition — was the official version. Whatever the cause, he fell for it with death.

Now, going into his 80th year Mao presides over a board riddled by vacancies. Only he and Chou survive from the all-powerful five man Standing Committee of the Politburo. Kang Sheng, the 47th member, is ill, old and incapacitated. The 25-member Politburo itself has been cut in half by defections and purges linked to the plot Lin Biao is said to have directed against his longtime chief.

As in the days of the culture revolution, when all China was in flux, a very small group now runs China. It includes Chou, aging ex-Marshal Yi Chien-ying, Vice Premier Li Hsien-nien, Madame Mao's brother, Yao Wen-yuan and a handful of others.

Age has brought a kind of peace to Mao after his long years of frantic opposition to this idea and that individual, to nations like the "imperialist" U.S. and "militaristic" Japan. In the last 13 months, the old man, who once said it is more important to hate than to love, has smiled and grasped the hands of his old American and Japanese enemies. He lives in a euphoric period of tempered sweetness and light, which he helped form.

But one satisfaction remains. There has been no compromise with the Russians.

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W. Berliners flood East at Christmas

BERLIN (UPI). — Tens of thousands of West Berliners and West Germans spent Christmas in the East yesterday in an expression of improved East-West relations. They not only went through the all to East Berlin but travelled to Pöcksdam, Wilmshaus, Magdeburg, Rostock and other East German cities and towns once closed to them.

West Berlin police made no estimate. But they estimated at least 8,000 would visit the East before January 2.

The eastward traffic began on Sunday and as it spread over the days there were no backlogs at border checkpoints. Police said travellers went east in a steady stream by train, subway, elevated highway, in cars and foot.

Most West Berliners went by way and elevated railway through the Friedrichstrasse station. Travellers passed the manned by East German border guards who processed them quickly with festive mood and the guards led and wished the Westerners a "Merry Christmas."

The travellers carried bouquets of flowers, toys and presents for their relations with whom they are spending the first Christmas since 1965.

"I have blue jeans for my teenage

Only sounds in Belfast are bells

BELFAST (UPI). — A gunman fired a single shot at a militiaman's wife collecting her wash from the line in Strabane early yesterday, but missed, the army said.

It was the only incident reported throughout Northern Ireland on Christmas Day.

Police described the day as one of the quietest since the sectarian violence between Roman Catholics and Protestants broke out more than three years ago.

"The only unusual noise we have heard today has been the ringing of church bells calling people to Christmas services," one Belfast officer said.

Gunmen on both sides of the religious fence observed a three-day truce called by the Irish Republican Army which ends at midnight tonight.

Since the start of the cease-fire, police registers have listed the explosion of two blast bombs and three shooting attacks, but nobody has been killed, nobody wounded and no property damaged.

Police said yesterday's attack was made against the wife of a part-time militiaman as she collected dried clothing from the line in her garden at Strabane, a border town about 80 kms. west of Belfast.

Woman strangles her children with diaper

WELAND, Ohio (AP). — Police Sunday arrested a young Cleveland mother who told them she strangled her two children open their stomachs presents, then strangled them with a diaper.

She said the woman, Nan Mul-24, telephoned them and said, "I would like to report a homicide. Just killed my kids."

She found the two children, 4th-old Betty and her half-sister Holly Johnson, 2, in the bed of the family's three-room apartment.

She said the children's opened stomachs were lying around a Christmas tree in the living-room when they arrived.

She said the woman told them had been domestic and had having domestic difficulties. She separated from her husband.



Pope Paul VI, wearing a miner's safety helmet, holds a Madonna with child made of fragments of stone, which was presented to him by miners who attended the midnight Christmas mass at a railway construction site 50 kms. outside Rome. (AP radiophoto)

Pope celebrates mass in tunnel and basilica

VATICAN CITY (UPI). — Pope Paul VI returned from a simple Christmas celebration among tunnel builders yesterday to celebrate mass under the soaring dome of St. Peter's Basilica.

The Pontiff said his Christmas thoughts are with those peoples and lands where "there is still war, hunger, suffering and distress — wherever the coming of justice and peace is still awaited."

He did not specifically mention Vietnam in his speech, following repeated references to the situation there in recent weeks. But he gave Christmas greetings in Vietnamese, and the tens of thousands of persons in St. Peter's Square applauded warmly.

The Pope went to the tunnel project at Sant'Oreste, some 80 kilometres north of Rome, to celebrate midnight mass with construction workers.

The 75-year-old pontiff put on a white hard hat and descended nearly three kilometers along a tunnel that will one day speed trains at 250 kph between Rome and Florence.

He was greeted by the tunnel foreman, a Sicilian named Antonio Gassira, who made a blunt, emotional speech.

"We don't know how to pray well," Gassira said. "We remember God only in difficult circumstances and in moments of sadness. But tonight we are able to ask the Christ child to protect and give long life to our common father, the Pope, who on this memorable night has come among us."

Group therapy, prayers, kept alive through 70 days in Andes

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay (AP). — Food was scarce and the cold was unbearable. But 15 young men who lived through a plane crash in the Andes found even greater problems of survival in the terrible mountain silence, the endless boredom and the periods of depression which overcame everyone.

They met these problems with teamwork, according to their own accounts published here on Sunday. Two of the survivors, Daniel Fernandez, 21, and Roberto Canessa, 20, both agronomy students, flew home on Sunday. The rest refuse to fly again and will make the Santiago-Montevideo trek by train and car.

The survivors are members of Uruguay's Old Christian rugby team and teamwork was a natural outgrowth of their rugby games. Most went to the same private high school, Stella Maris, and had been friends for years. Most are college students from well-to-do Uruguayan homes and they felt their college training contributed to their survival for 70 days in the wreckage of a plane high in the Andes.

The ordeal began on October 13, when an Uruguayan Air Force plane taking the Old Christian team to Chile for rugby matches hit a mountain peak and crashed. Twenty-nine died by the end of October, eight of them in an avalanche on October 29.

Although search planes flew over several times, the wreckage and the survivors were never spotted. Roberto Canessa, 20, a medical school student, and Fernando Parrado, 23, finally walked down the mountain and got help.



Two of the plane crash survivors, Roberto Canessa (left) and Fernando Parrado, are brought down the mountainside on horseback by a Chilean police patrol after over two months spent in the Andes snow. (AP radiophoto)

radio receiver and one of the first announcements heard was the Chilean air force's decision to give up the search.

To pass the hours, the survivors set themes for group discussion — discussions which sometimes became group therapy sessions to dispel fits of depression.

They made a rule of praying aloud together each evening, instead of individually and in silence.

"We got up at 7, listened to the radio and melted water from snow," Jose Luis Incharie, 24, an agronomy student, said. "We distilled two litres of water a day per person to avoid dehydration. We boiled the water with some lichen to make a sort of soup which we used more and more as our provisions ran out...we realized that we couldn't hold out much longer."

The rugby players had stocked up on chocolates, sweets and bottled preserves purchased in Mendoza, Argentina, where the plane stopped before the final leg of the flight to Santiago.

"We had available at the beginning a big supply of food," Incharie said, "and we also recovered our suitcases from which we took warm clothing."

A heavy snowstorm during a period of several days covered the plane's windows and left the survivors in darkness inside. Despite the effort involved, a party went outside each morning to remove the snow.

"We knew that light was necessary physically to use up fewer calories," Canessa said, "and it was absolutely necessary to maintain our spirits as a last reserve."

SCREAMING NO HELP

Canessa told his companions they could scream out in fear and run through the snow, but nothing would happen. A few days after the crash, survival seemed hopeless. Canessa became a natural leader of the group, the others reported, and his determination was instrumental in keeping spirits up.

The young survivors divided into groups. Architect students converted the plane's damaged fuselage into a crude home, with beds made from seats and lights rigged to the plane's battery.

Sunglasses were made from tinted window panes for protection from the glare of sun on snow, and crude metal containers were constructed to hold water from melted snow.

Agricultural students found mushrooms under the snow and lichen growing on rocks. Not even the singing of a bird broke the mountain silence 14,000 feet above sea level. But strangely enough, bees were seen, although a search for a beehive was fruitless. Finally, an engineering student fixed the plane's

Joint security system for Southeast Asia mooted

NEW YORK (AP). — A prominent Japanese statesman believes Japan should seriously consider the possibility of creating a collective security system in Southeast Asia involving the U.S., China, Japan and the Soviet Union.

In an interview in this week's "Newweek," Kichiro Miyazawa said it may be premature now, but ultimately "we ought to be able to create such an area in Southeast Asia."

An influential member of the ruling Liberal-Democratic party, Miyazawa is a former Minister of International Trade and Industry.

"It is basically a Russian idea, but I don't feel anyone can oppose it, except that Peking may have its own thoughts," says Miyazawa, adding that this is perhaps why Prime Minister Kakuei Tanaka and Foreign Minister Masayoshi Ohira are "cautious" not to commit Japan to it.

The Japan-U.S. security treaty could be merged into such a system, he said. "After all, if there can be a rapprochement between the Warsaw pact and Nato, why not in Asia?"

As to the U.S.-Japan security treaty remaining necessary now

U.S. army club blasted in Berlin

BERLIN (AP). — An explosive device blew out windows and a door at a U.S. army sergeants club in West Berlin Christmas Eve, police reported yesterday.

An army spokesman said no one was injured and that the club, called the "Club Fifty," was closed at the time for Christmas observances. It is located directly across from the U.S. army headquarters in Berlin.

U.S. fears E.E.C. discrimination

By DAVID HAWORTH BRUSSELS. — U.S. States diplomats are asking it clear that the Nixon administration intends to move decisively in the coming months every aspect of trade policy, wherever has the forwarding belt more strongly than here, common Market capital.

There is no indication that the EEC is prepared to drop the reverse preference system, nor, so far, has there been any hint that the EEC will grant the U.S. protection, in another way by reducing trade barriers affecting items of interest to the U.S. so that gain in one area would offset loss in the other.

The newly installed U.S. Ambassador to the EEC, Joseph Greenwald, has made no secret of his intention to tackle this problem head on. "Reverse preferences," he says, "don't make any sense economically, politically or in any other way."

And he adds that the Common Market must avoid the appearance of building a large block of privileged arrangements.

A few days ago there came a rejoinder by Dr. Raif Dahrendorf, the EEC Commissioner responsible for external relations. He said he failed to understand the intensity of U.S. feeling about the EEC developing a comprehensive Mediterranean policy.

There ought to be a political di-

vision of labour between the U.S. and Common Market in the area. In his view there should be more "subtlety" in international relations a comment which angered the Americans present.

Although both sides agree that the irritation each is dealing out to the other is bad for the Atlantic relationship, neither seems to have the power or inclination to stop it.

Mr. McGeorge Bundy, formerly a Kennedy adviser and now Ford Foundation president, told a conference in Brussels what he felt about the Common Market, in a way that further puzzled his European audience. "My dominant conviction about the European Community is that it is an institution which I choose to admire... I do not understand it, but I deeply believe in it."

EEC Foreign Ministers and the European Commission see their efforts to establish a Mediterranean policy as a bridge which will strengthen relations with Africa and through trading arrangements, help to bring some prosperity and stability to notoriously volatile parts of the world.

The Community argues that it is faced with a slowly deteriorating situation in the Mediterranean, that in the past its policy has been to "minimize harm rather than maximize welfare." Common Market countries have negotiated special trade pacts with nearly all Mediterranean nations. Few of these agreements were negotiated explicitly with free trade in view, but this is now the EEC's declared ambition.

However, Washington does not see how there can be genuine free trade between an economy like Egypt's and any of the highly industrialized countries in the EEC. What masquerades as free trade is really — according to the State Department — backdoor, discriminatory trading which could harm America's commercial relations with Mediterranean countries.

Sleeping child stolen with car

AMSTERDAM (Reuter). — Dutch police were searching yesterday for a man who stole a car with a three-year-old boy asleep on the rear seat.

They assume the man had not noticed the child, Wil Van Merckstein, in the back.

Police said that Sunday night the boy's father left his car standing with the engine ticking over and the lights on while he went to fetch his wife, who works in a bar. Wil was asleep on the back seat.

Israel ministers committee to study tariff freeze

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

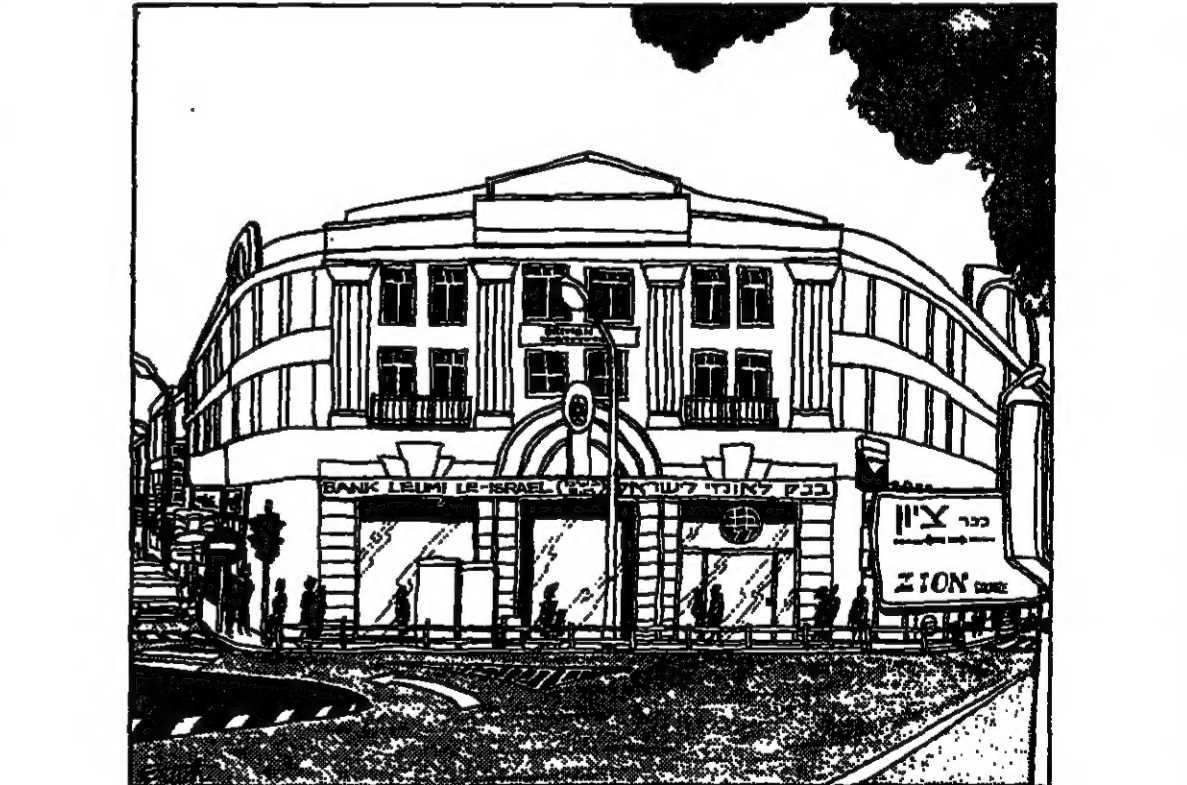
The Cabinet on Sunday commissioned the Committee of Ministers on the Common Market to examine the Market's proposal that Israel should sign a protocol providing for a "freeze" on tariffs in 1973 and negotiations for a new agreement to come into force in 1974. Foreign Minister Abba Eban reported on the Market's proposal and said it met Israel's needs in principle. Mr. Eban is a member of the Committee, along with Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, Commerce Minister Haim Bar-Lev and the Governor of the Bank of Israel, Moshe Barak.

The Committee is expected to approve the protocol and instruct Israel's ambassador to the Market to sign it forthwith.

The protocol will provide that the tariffs at present in force between Israel and the three members-elect of the Market — Britain, Eire and Denmark — will remain in force through 1973 while negotiations proceed for a new tariff treaty within the overall reduced tariff framework which the Market is planning to establish with the countries of the Mediterranean littoral.

Finance Minister Sapir remarked that the eventual agreement with the Market would necessitate radical changes in Israel's economy, including the planned introduction of Value Added Tax. He did not, however, specify when he planned to impose this tax.

Mr. Eban also reported on the signing of an agreement with the World Bank for a loan for sewerage development projects. The World Bank officials had remarked, said Mr. Eban, that Israel was a model from which other developing countries could learn as to effective and efficient use of international funding. The sewerage loan was the eighth Israel has received from the World Bank; the others were for Ashdod Port, the Dead Sea Works, agriculture projects, industrial development (2) and roads (2).



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Capital gets a Strad

By N. D. GROSS
Jerusalem Post Reporter

MEAS do you present to the country that has everything? Mexico's violin maestro Henryk Szeryng found the answer: his Stradivarius and, as reported briefly yesterday, he presented the instrument, made in 1715, to the City of Jerusalem at a concert given on Sunday in aid of the Soldiers Welfare Association.

Szeryng came especially from Mexico, whose official cultural ambassador he is, for the purpose of like the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra and conductor Shalom Ronli-Riklis, donating his services to the Association.

Although the performers were on the behalf of the city by Mayor Meir, it was in a way a gift to the city by Mayor Meir. The gift was accepted on behalf of the city by Mayor Meir, with the Prime Minister Golda Meir, who gave her message to the event, being read by the Mexican Ambassador, Mrs. Rosario Castellanos, and by Mrs. Dolores Carrillo, the special envoy sent by the Mexican Government to the concert.

Presenting the instrument, Szeryng said:

"I wish to pay special homage to the State of Israel on its anniversary. I herewith present on my own behalf and on behalf of my country, Mexico, this Stradivarius violin to the City of Jerusalem.

Israel has many things — among them the Bible — which are the source of inspiration to the homeland; eminent experts in all fields of human knowledge; and many great violinists to whom the world has so far not had a chance to listen. This will be the Strad in this land, the land which thanks to the wonderful work of my parents bestowed on me so deeply.

Remembering their memory and that of those who sacrificed themselves so that the Jewish people could have a better life, I wish to give to the City of David this



Mayor Meir and Henryk Szeryng show Jerusalem's new Stradivarius to the audience.

instrument which from now on will bear the name "the Kinor David Stradivarius." It is to be kept in trust by the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra and to be made available for performances by outstanding Israeli violinists.

(Here Mr. Szeryng digressed from his prepared text to introduce to the audience "one who will surely be such a one," 14-year-old Shlomo Mintz, one of his favourite pupils.)

"I come to you tonight as cultural representative of Mexico, bringing that country's love; I also come as a faithful descendant of Abraham, as an old friend of the I.P.O. and of the Israel

Soldiers Welfare Association and last, but not least, as a violinist.

"May this violin be a bridge of true friendship and affection between Mexico and Israel."

Mayor Meir, accepting the gift, reciprocated by presenting Mr. Szeryng with a specially cast silver medallion.

Mr. Ya'acov Peri, chairman of the Soldiers Welfare Association, presented scrolls of appreciation to Mr. Szeryng and to the I.P.O.

The violin itself was handed to the Orchestra leader, Uri Flaska, who used it as the Orchestra and Mr. Szeryng played the Beethoven Violin Concerto.

The concert is reviewed below.

I.P.O. can do better

Feeling Concert of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra (conductor: Henryk Szeryng) (violin: Uri Flaska) (viola: Shlomo Mintz) (cello: Yehuda Gilad) (double bass: Yehuda Gilad) (piano: Yehuda Gilad) (orchestra: Israel Philharmonic Orchestra) (venue: The Shrine Auditorium) (time: 8:00 p.m.)

THIS was a benefit concert, with everyone contributing time, energy and good will to a good cause, intensified by a sentimental atmosphere, with Mr. Szeryng handing over a Stradivarius violin as a gift to Jerusalem. It is difficult to assess such an event purely professionally. Unfortunately, just on occasions like this one, people who could do better permit themselves all sorts of sins against music and the public.

The works chosen were all very good in themselves, but the execution left so much to be desired that it must be asked if it was lack of time that caused the lack of preparation. Or was it the attitude that this music does not pose any problems and need not be rehearsed. A hard-working conductor like Ronli-Riklis apparently re-

quires more rehearsals to get results. Last year, I heard Meitz conducting the Brahms Concerto with Isaac Stern so tremendously that I could hardly believe that they did not have any rehearsal at all. Then the orchestra was alive and agog and participated splendidly. But this time, the excessive movements of the conductor did not elicit proper response and the orchestra dragged behind the soloist. The musicians sounded — and looked — bored and tired.

The Double Concerto by Bach is always played if one needs a piece for two violinists, and then, more often than not, each one plays his own style without any consideration for his colleague. Uri Flaska — presumably playing the new instrument donated by Mr. Szeryng — offered a luscious sound far richer and louder than that coming from the other violinist. Tempi and phrasing sounded quite haphazard, and the orchestra was slow in picking up the threads. But, of course, the audience loved it.

In the Mendelssohn Concerto, Henryk Szeryng showed his technical brilliance and performing elegance. Certain mannerisms have to be taken as part of his personality and are part of the package deal. Only in the Beethoven Concerto — and especially in the first movement — did he create an atmosphere of real art and beauty, and all human frailties and vanities were forgotten for a few precious moments. This alone made the event worth while — but how much more it could have given had there been an inspired conductor getting the orchestra to do what it is able to do.

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THE OLD MAN AND THE BUSES

By L.I. RABINOWITZ

THE date: Wednesday, December 13th.

The time 5 p.m., when workers are returning home from their daily toil.

The place, a No. 7 Egged bus, registration number 666-438.

The bus stops at the bus stop near the Yeshurun Synagogue. An elderly, wizened man, down at heel and poorly dressed, enters by the exit door carrying a plank of wood about one and a half metres long and 40 centimetres wide and stands it up against the chrome pole near the door.

Sternly the driver orders him to get off; he cannot agree to this luggage. The man pleads with him, "Please, it is not an obstruction. It does not interfere with anyone and I must take it home. There is no other way."

The driver is adamant and re-

fuses to continue his journey unless the man gets off with his impediment. One of the passengers gets up, takes the plank and places it sideways on the floor so that it is flush with his seat, and he steps over it to resume his seat, saying to the driver "Now you can continue. It is in no one's way."

The driver switches off his engine, folds his arms and declares that he will not proceed unless the man gets off the bus. I go over to him to plead with him not to be obstinate. He does not even deign to reply and maintains the same stony silence in response to the pleas of the other passengers. Wearily the offending passenger is about to comply but nearly all the passengers urge him not to give in to this unreasonable demand.

There is deadlock — in its literal sense — the driver has locked the engine. So we remain

until a second No. 7 bus arrives, and a number of passengers descend and enter the second bus, I among them. Its number is 867-389.

Incidentally, in that bus, in approximately the same place as the plank was in the first one, lay some six live chickens tied by the feet, the property of an Arab passenger. Apparently they did not constitute an obstruction in the eyes of the driver. Some of the passengers pay; others refuse on the grounds that both buses belong to Egged and they had already paid their fare. If one bus refused to proceed they were entitled to transport on another bus for the same ticket.

The driver switched off his engine and in his turn refused to budge until all the passengers had paid. And so two No. 7 buses stood there immobile, the one for over 10 minutes, the other for over five. No cajoling, no pleading

that they had to get home, no threats were of any avail.

Then a third No. 7 bus pulled up and we were witnesses to the unusual sight of three No. 7 buses which usually arrive every ten minutes or so.

Suddenly the deadlock was resolved. The poor old man descended from bus 1 with his plank and took it with him onto bus 3 which drove off without delay. (Why he decided finally to get off, and why he chose bus 3 and not bus 2, I do not know.) The driver of bus 1, having gained his point, also immediately drove off.

And bus 2? The driver graciously commented that one of the women passengers who stated that she was in a hurry to get home, pay, against their protests, for the six or seven recalcitrant passengers and, switching on his engine, drove off. That's service for you. Pro Bono Publico.

FREAKY FINISHES IN FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

SPORTS ABROAD JOHN WOSNER

THE Pittsburgh Steelers, to whom losing has been a way of life for most of their 40-year history, and the defending world champions, the Dallas Cowboys, who won the Super Bowl in only their 12th season, captured a first-round playoff game on Saturday with as freaky and frantic a pair of finishes as the National Football League has ever seen.

Some 50,300 delirious fans in Pittsburgh's Three Rivers Stadium barely had time to recover from the battered fourth-down pass which Franco Harris, the Steelers' super rookie, grabbed on the rebound and turned into a 60-yard scoring play with five seconds left for a 13-7 victory over the Oakland Raiders, when the Cowboys staged their own wild finish to nip the 19ers 30-28 and disappoint a throng of 61,214 in San Francisco's Candlestick Park. Roger Staubach, last year's Super Bowl hero, came off the bench as the Cowboys wiped out a 15-point deficit and threw for two touchdowns in the final two minutes, the latter a 10-yarder to Ron Sellers with 52 seconds remaining on the third play after Mel Renfro recovered an onside kickoff at midfield.

Defence, rather than last-minute heroics, told the story on Sunday

as the Miami Dolphins and Washington Redskins stayed alive on the road to the Super Bowl.

True, there was one late rally as the unbeaten Dolphins needed Jim Kjelck's eight-yard touchdown run to defeat the stubborn Cleveland Browns 20-14 in Miami. But it was a defence which intercepted five of Mike Phipps' passes — including one by Doug Swift after the Browns had reached the Miami 35 with 1:15 left — which stymied Cleveland time after time. Earlier, the Redskins veteran defence stifled the young Green Bay Packers while Billy Kilmer threw a 32-yard touchdown pass to Roy Jefferson, and Curt Knight kicked three field goals for a 18-3 triumph before a record Washington crowd of 68,140.

Next Sunday's pairings send the Dolphins against the Steelers in Pittsburgh in the American Conference Final and the "wild card" Dallas Cowboys against the "Skins

in Washington for National Conference honours. The two survivors meet in Super Bowl VII on January 14 at Los Angeles.

CRICKET

ENGLAND won the First Test against India by six wickets, seven minutes after lunch at New Delhi yesterday. It was the first ever victory for England at the Feris Shah Kotla Grounds. The other three matches played there were drawn.

England Captain Tony Lewis and Tony Greig kept their bats with 70 and 40 runs respectively. It was the First Test that Lewis had captained.

England resumed shakily yesterday with 106 for three and lost their fourth wicket in the very first over for the addition of a single run. But the fifth wicket partnership changed the whole complexion of the play and at lunch the score stood at 195 for four.

Skipper Tony Lewis played a Captain's innings in company with Tony Greig, in a 5th wicket partnership that was worth 88 runs.

Lewis got his 50 runs in 141 minutes, including seven boundaries. Final scores: India 178 and 233; England 200 and 207 for 4.



At the Cinema

Bringing Wilde up to date

DOBRIAN GRAY (Gat, Tel Aviv), is described as "a modern allegory inspired by Oscar Wilde's 'Picture of Dorian Gray'."

This Anglo-Italian production, with English dialogue, takes place in contemporary London. It retains the characters and central theme of Wilde's classic tale of a man whose youth and beauty remain unchanged over the years, while the passage of time and his gradual degeneration is revealed instead in the changing face and form of his portrait.

German actor Helmut Berger, at the head of a very competent international cast, is compelling as Dorian, whose exceptional good looks result in his being almost worshipped by men and women alike. His early idyllic love for the actress Sibyl Vane (Marie Liljedahl) contrasts starkly with the corrupting influence of the wealthy and utterly cynical Henry Wotton (Herbert Lom), who is the mouthpiece for some of Wilde's most bitter epigrams of humanity. The clash between good and evil is well brought out as Dorian gives himself up to a life of depravity.

The film, directed by Massimo Dallamano, contains much hand some colour photography — some London street scenes are particularly eye-catching — while the wardrobe and sets are equally elegant. Though a certain amount of Hitchcock is included, all told this is a successful and commendable effort to bring Wilde up to date. J.J.

Tap-dance workshop in Jerusalem

AMERICAN dancer-lecturer Anne Wilson, who is to visit Israel next month, will hold a tap-dance "workshop" at the Rubin Academy in Jerusalem on January 22 at 10 a.m. Her new lecture-demonstrations include the history of tap-dance and jazz and she will give programmes at the Haifa Technical School on January 18 and at the new Tel Aviv Museum (for teachers and pupils) on February 7.

In New York, Anne Wilson's latest assignment is as "Dance Consultant" for a new Broadway musical. She will advise on style, steps and on turn-of-the-century ballroom dancing.

MARGALIT Oved, the Israeli dancer who now lives in California but is still a member of the Inbal Dance Theatre, has been giving recitals in the U.S. Her interpretations of Biblical and folklore subjects have been called "meticulous magic."

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and the decor designer Dani Karavan.

New York's "Daily News" critic Joseph Gale wrote of Rima Schenfeld as "the quintessential Graham dancer, an eagle in the shape of a woman." He also praised Gabi Barr and Pamela Sharmi and called the company "strong, skilled, assured and committed."

Chicago was no less enthusiastic. Ann Barzel of "Chicago Today" pronounced the company "superb."

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Nixon's daughters at Athens dinner

ATHENS (AP)—President Nixon's two daughters were guests at a Christmas dinner yesterday being held by U.S. ambassador Henry Tasco.

The President's eldest daughter, Tricia, and her husband, Edward Cox, arrived here on Sunday for the holidays. They joined Nixon's younger daughter, Julie, who is here with her husband, Lt. David Eisenhower, who is assigned to a U.S. navy 6th fleet ship.

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In this final chapter of his personal account of 40 years of Soviet history, Henry Shapiro describes the downfall of Nikita

Khrushchev, gives new insight into the Soviet break with Communist China, and assesses the present Soviet leadership.



Khrushchev with Mao before the split.

Break with China

COW (UPI). — Following his cal successes in 1956 and 1957 put him in full control. Khrushchev was riding high in the Kremlin. It was in this circumstance that he gave me a long and exclusive interview. I asked with him the question of government stability in the Union, noting that, within a matter of a few weeks, more than the Presidium had been ousted, the Defence Minister, Marshal Georgi Z. Zhukov, and the Premier, Leonid Brezhnev, had been ousted. "What a man Stalin was," Zhukov was not even half a question of the position of the military is frequently raised whenever the present Defence Minister, Marshal Andrei Malinovsky in 1967 was ousted by some Western observers a "victory of the marshals over the civilians." In fact, the man (now the Politburo) is in place to look for the leadership power now and in the

perhaps America's most ardent public anti-Communist, "wants peace," according to Khrushchev, who then proceeded to warn the Chinese against trying to test the American "paper tiger." "The American imperialists may be paper tigers," Khrushchev said, "but they have atomic teeth." * * * HAD Khrushchev retired in 1959 he might have gone down in Soviet history as one of the country's greatest statesmen. Instead of becoming its most famous impersonator — as was his role in the last years of his life. Khrushchev's popularity declined as fast as it had risen although on the 70th birthday no one could have predicted his ignominious ouster a few months later. His frequent absences and numerous and lengthy journeys abroad, which were first hailed as a welcome method of re-establishing personal contact with the West, degenerated into family outings. A popular joke of the late Khrushchev era said: "All Moscow movie houses are showing a documentary film, Khrushchev's two-weeks' sojourn in the Soviet Union." When Khrushchev returned to Moscow from the U.N. Assembly in 1960 — at which the Soviet Premier astounded the world with his shoe-banging on the table — incredulous Russians asked whether it could possibly be true. Popular murmurs began to be heard: * Khrushchev was practicing nepotism and closed his eyes to the antics of his unpopular son-in-law, Alexei Adzhub, editor of the Government paper "Izvestia." * He talked too much. * Khrushchev in the popular mind was also blamed for: * The Cuban rocket crisis which precipitated an eye-to-eye confrontation with the U.S. * Pampering Egypt's Gamal Abdel Nasser and making him a "Hero of the Soviet Union." * Almost wrecking the Communist Party by dividing it into two branches, one for agriculture and one for industry. * Causing havoc in agriculture by issuing arbitrary orders such as planting corn where it would not grow and tinkering with crop rotation. These popular sentiments later became an official language "ad-



Zhukov — a 1942 photograph of the "defender of Moscow" of whom Khrushchev said: "He's not even a quarter of Stalin." * * * venturism," hare-brained schemes and "outfitting of the personality cult", with which he was officially charged. No one of the charges taken individually would have sufficed to remove him, but the effect of their totality was fatal. The popular folklore of the time attributed Khrushchev's fall to the three Cs — Cuba, Corn and China.

THE morning of October 14, 1964, an old intellectual friend came to see me. He told me he had heard Khrushchev had been ousted. I could not believe it and it took the better part of the day to get sufficient reliable evidence to support the momentous news. It soon became clear to me that Khrushchev himself did not know he was out much earlier than I learned of it. The morning of that fateful day he was at his favourite Caucasian retreat, entertaining French Minister of Culture Gaston Palewski. "Men like General de Gaulle and myself do not give up power easily," he told his visitor before boarding a plane to take him to a specially summoned meeting of the Politburo. At first, when Moscow called him to the meeting, Khrushchev balked, pleading fatigue. "I am on vacation now and you can settle things without me," he told Mikhail Suslov, senior member of the Presidium and chief ideologist who was telephoning upon Suslov's insistence. Khrushchev agreed and about two hours later he walked into a stormy session of the Presidium with Suslov presiding. Suslov read a list of charges which said Khrushchev was unfit to retain his leadership of the party. Angered, the accused protested and finally tried the stratagem that had saved him in 1957 when the Molotov group tried to sack him. "I insist on a meeting of the Central Committee," he said. Within a few hours the plenum met and, after hearing of few of its members denouncing him, Khrushchev, sensing the time was up, interrupted the discussion to say, "I see you are all against me and I resign." He actually submitted a written resignation. He was succeeded by Leonid Brezhnev, the man he had brought into the party as his first deputy. The resignation was not the result of a power play, but a legitimate removal for cause, with strict preservation of the party statutes. Its presentation to the public was a public relations disaster and required considerable explanation to Khrushchev's foreign Communist friends. Under the reform Khrushchev himself had initiated, he had no reason to fear arrest or worse. He was retired in comfortable, even luxurious, conditions, but he remained embittered until the end of his life in 1971.

THE Chinese had falsely accused Khrushchev of being the author of an anti-Chinese policy. When he was removed, Premier Chou En-lai rushed to Moscow in the vain hope of making a new deal with Khrushchev's successors. He returned to Peking disappointed, soon to proclaim that Moscow was practicing "Khrushchevism" without Khrushchev. Relations have grown much worse under the present Soviet administration. Actually, there is considerable continuity in Soviet policy. Although the Brezhnev-Kosygin-Podgorny triad has repudiated some of Khrushchev's foreign policy schemes they continue to promote some of the more positive policies he advocated. Brezhnev, as party leader and therefore the senior member of the Politburo, at the 24th Party Congress in March, 1971, laid down a broad "peace programme." He succeeded where Khrushchev had tried and failed. Since Stalin's death the Kremlin has been seeking Western recognition of the status quo, European detente and normal, friendly relations with the U.S.

'We'll bury you'

One of Khrushchev's defects not characteristic of the current leadership was boastfulness. "Your children will be Communist," he told Americans. "In 10 years we shall have the world's highest living standard. We shall bury you" (meaning we shall outlive you). These were some of the late leader's favourite expressions of braggadocio. The present leadership's plans are more realistic and there is a much better prospect of achieving them, especially if the detente set in motion by Khrushchev and expedited by the current leading triad of Brezhnev, Premier Alexei N. Kosygin and President Nikolai V. Podgorny continues. Among the setbacks in the post-Stalin years have been: * The incipient revolts in Czechoslovakia and Hungary. * The rise of a small dissident movement with more followers abroad than here. * The break with China and the consequent disarray in the Communist world. In total Communism is not a monolith any longer. It does not speak with one voice — the voice of Moscow — as it did in the Stalin era. In this connection I venture the opinion that, had Stalin remained alive a few years longer, he would have broken with Peking much earlier than Khrushchev. Stalin, since the early Days of the Communist International, was a fierce critic of Mao Tse-tung's philosophy and had no reason to welcome Mao's seizure of power. It is not generally known that when Mao visited here at the end of 1949, and early 1950 for more than two months, he annoyed the Soviet leader so much that Stalin refused to see him for two weeks. Mao was Stalin's house-guest occupying the second floor of the Premier's dacha at Blizhniye, about 16 km. west of Moscow. After his arrival the two men would have long walks in the morning discussing their conflicting theories of

Khrushchev first took over leadership, there were plenty of eyebrows among my Soviet contacts. Only gradually did I acquire a grudging respect, especially after his policies of Stalinitization, liberalization and to mend fences with the West, no in or out of the country, mutual exchanges and no apologies for detente. Khrushchev did much in those early days of his rise. He the height of popularity in his return from Camp and his speeches here and in his having President Eisenhower a "man of peace." Even Richard Nixon, then

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The present leadership — "more realistic plans." (Camera Press)

This is a jubilee year — the 50th anniversary of the foundation of the U.S.S.R. — and history is repeating itself. On all jubilee occasions there is an inevitable spate of rumours — which deceive some foreign observers — that a troika, or more, the collective leadership of a 15-man Politburo, cannot possibly operate without serious friction. There must be strong disagreements and any day now Brezhnev or Kosygin or this one or that one will be ousted, etc. I heard such talk in 1967, on the 50th anniversary of the Revolution to support such gossip then, and reported accordingly. I see none now.

Elections
The Politburo has changed somewhat since 1964, but solely because of the election of new members. Those who were in office when Khrushchev was ousted are still on their jobs. There may have been conflicts of opinion in the Politburo and even among the ruling troika on such vital subjects as the invasion of Czechoslovakia, the five-year economic plan and particularly the Soviet-American summit after the signing of Haiphong. But under rules, which only Stalin and later Khrushchev could violate, a majority vote makes a Politburo decision unanimous, regardless of who opposed it. To continue opposition to a policy, even if it proves unsuccessful, makes one an anti-party factionalist and leads to automatic expulsion. There have been no expulsions from the Politburo since Khrushchev's. Factors of age and health may operate in the near future to bring about some shuffling in the Politburo. Should that happen there is still no reason to believe the collective leadership will collapse. There is no reason of history or logic to indicate that a collective leadership cannot function for indefinite periods. Nor, although Brezhnev is the first among theoretical equals in the Politburo and as such carries more authority than others, is there any indication that he makes decisions alone and imposes them on his associates. It is not unreasonable to assume that Brezhnev, Kosygin, Podgorny and their 12 Politburo associates have learned to benefit from the lessons of Stalin and Khrushchev and will try to avoid what the Russians call "dizziness from success."

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Koor to double output by 1977 to IL3,000 m.

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Koor Industries expects to double production to 3,000m. by 1977, Mr. Meir Amit, Koor's Director-General said yesterday.

He was outlining the giant industrial concern's five-year plan. Additional details were given by Mr. David Golomb, head of the planning and development division.

Although 1972 had still a week to go, Mr. Amit noted, cautious estimates put production at IL1,450m. — only three per cent short of the 1972 target. Mr. Amit was confident that the 1973 target of 1,850m. would be reached, a 25 per cent growth.

The increase in production would be evenly distributed, he said, concentrated in four main fields: electronics, chemicals, metal work, telecommunications. On the other

hand, he said, Koor was going ahead with its plans to "cut losses" in non-profitable plants.

He noted that Ramle Motors had been closed down, departments in other plants would be eliminated, and in general, the protective "hot-house" would be removed.

Exports would play an ever-increasing role. Koor exported \$54m. worth of goods in 1972. This figure would rise to \$68m. in 1973. (The annual increase of other industrial firms in Israel would average only about 12 to 14 per cent in 1973.) The target for 1977 is \$170m.

Mr. Amit stressed, however, that if exports continue to rise, the premium paid by the Government would have to be raised by about ten per cent. Competition abroad was fierce, and Koor had not only to face being outpriced by well-established industrial countries, but also by some foreign companies who were "dump-

ing" their goods to keep out competitors.

Koor could not compensate by raising prices on the local market. Despite the lifting of price controls, some 85 per cent of its products fell into three areas which would still be controlled: monopolies, vital commodities or popular goods.

Profits had dropped from 5.4 per cent (before tax) to four per cent in 1971. The 1972 figure, as well as the 1973, would remain at four per cent, but by 1977, according to plans, the figure would crawl up to 6.5 per cent. Profit-sharing with the workers continued, and IL4m. was divided up among 6,000 workers in 1972.

The labour force, which now stood at 18,400 (including 500 newcomers from the U.S.S.R. and 536 Arabs from the administered areas) would grow to 26,000 in 1977, he predicted. Increasing Koor's own capital pro-

vided a problem. At present, it had dropped to 12-13 per cent of turnover, but it was hoped to raise it to at least 15 per cent. He thought this would come from three sources: outside persons or companies buying part ownership in some of Koor's companies, by contributions by Hevrat Ovdim, the Histadrut's holding company, and possibly by selling shares to the workers themselves.

Investments in expansion would increase from IL110m. in 1971, to IL150m. in 1972, to IL200m. in 1973. Of the IL200m. figure, the lion's share, of IL150m., would go to six divisions. They were Nesher Cement (mainly the Hartuv plant), IL60m.; Steel City, IL25m.; Telrad and Tadiran (together) IL35m.; chemicals, IL22m., and the food division, IL2m.

For the coming year (1973) has been declared ecology year," he said, "with one-tenth of one per cent of turnover earmarked for fighting pollution arising out of industrial production. Within a few years, the problem of pollution will be 90 to 95 per cent solved. "But," he added, "it can never be completely solved without stopping all production."



A new airport control board at Lod Airport has direct radio and other communications links with rescue services, the police, customs and all the airline companies, as well as closed circuit television surveillance of the airport. (Israel Bank)

Tsorchaniyot plan big expansion

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut-sponsored Consumers Co-op Movement (Tzorchaniyot) plan to invest IL100m. on expanding its services in the next five years. General Manager Yisrael Shpan said yesterday. The plans include the construction of 36 new supermarkets in addition to the 200 already operating. A number of new department stores (Hamashbir) will also be opened. It now has 15.

However, Mr. Shpan warned the national convention at Beit Sokolov that the organization will have to get help from Histadrut and Government sources to finance the project.

The convention resolved "to put the resources of the co-op movement at the disposal of the Government and the Histadrut in the fight to curb rising prices." To cut its own costs, the movement decided that the numerous consumers societies be merged into three regional organizations — one for Jerusalem, one for the north, and one for the central and southern regions.

TEL AVIV STOCKS Stocks slip

TEL AVIV. — The Tel Aviv Stock Exchange slipped further downward yesterday. The General Index of Share Prices fell by 0.33 per cent to stand at 304.18. Turnover was also somewhat lower at IL4m. (variables IL2.3m.), but trading remained active.

Cial Investment Co. announced that the company will purchase Central Trade Co. shares from some principal stockholders of this company. Cial will offer one share of its own company for one Central Trade A share. In a second phase, Cial will also make a purchase offer to Class B shareholders of Central Trade. After the announcement, trading in Cial Investment and Central Trade was halted in the variables. Yesterday Cial Investment opened unchanged at 245 and Central Trade climbed 5 to 305. Other associated shares did not change much: Cial Ind. left the market at 237 1/2, up 1 1/2, and Azorim was unchanged at 243.

Some 60,000 L.D.E. shares changed hands at declining prices. The last price was 237, off 3 points. Bank Mizrahi was also lower at 133, less 6 points, and Bank Leumi declined 3 1/2 points to 237. Nisbar continued its decline and ended at 244, down 3 after 239 in the variables.

In the real estate group Africa remained unchanged at 253 1/2, I.L.D.C. closed at 224, less 1 1/2, and Iaras finished at 200 1/2, declining 3 at a turnover of 109,000 shares.

Alliance was suddenly firm at 650, up 11 points, as was Phoenixia Glass Works at 137 1/2, up 2 1/2. Delek suffered profit-taking at 217, down five. Among the investment companies Foshim Investment gained 2 points at 287. Discount Investment climbed 7 to 292, and Bank Leumi lost on balance 2 points at 273 1/2.

Insurance Fund for natural risks criticized

By YEZZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Irregularities in the administration of the Insurance Fund against natural risks, which insures crops, are criticized in a State Comptroller's report published yesterday.

The company based its insurance of crops and payment for damages not on production costs, but on the expected income. It even paid for damages that were not included in the insurance and paid out farmers that joined the fund after damages had already hit their crops.

The Comptroller explains that this was done sometimes to increase membership. However, cases such as these caused deficits in some agricultural branches of the company.

The Comptroller found that another cause for the deficits was that the premiums were calculated on a year-by-year basis. Deficits in one branch were balanced by surpluses in another.

The Fund is a public company, 50 per cent of the voting power being held by the State and the rest divided among agricultural and farmers' associations. The company keeps a separate fund for each insured agricultural branch. During the insurance year 1971/72 there were 18 branch funds. Farmers cannot insure their crops individually, they must do it through their production and marketing boards.

The report notes that the relationship between the company and the government has not been formally put in writing. This despite the fact that the Government's financial participation in the company's activities has been growing all the time, reaching the sum of nearly IL12m. in 1971/72.

The Finance Ministry has also committed itself to responsibility for deficits that the company will not be able to cover. For this reason a formal agreement must be signed between both sides, says the Comptroller.

The Comptroller is also not satisfied with the internal management of the company. He notes that only four persons had a full pardon, which listed. There were no signs that the workers had undergone physical examinations before they had been accepted to work for the company. The report also finds inadequacies in the documentation of workers' vacations and travel allowances.

Appointments in Lands Administration

The following personnel changes have been announced in the State Lands Administration:

Dr. Moshe Barkai has taken up his duties as official in charge of economic and budgetary planning, succeeding Benjamin Lubetkin, who returns to his former post as director of registry of rural areas.

An administration spokesman explained that the changes are part of the current reorganization programme.

Problems tackled on closed-circuit TV

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Residents of the Tel Aviv developments in the Telport quarter of Jerusalem were able last night to watch a closed-circuit television discussion of their neighbourhood problems. The neighbourhood committee thrashed things out with Deputy Mayor Adiva Azulai.

The Municipal spokesman said the showing was made possible by a private company interested in demonstrating the advantages of cable television to provide special programmes to subscribers.

The discussion followed the completion of a neighbourhood improvement programme by the Municipality.

RIGHTS OF TENANT WHO ABANDONS PREMISES

The Supreme Court dismissed an appeal against a judgment of the District Court delivered on February 8, 1971 (in C.A. 659/68).

The respondent rented a shop for key money from the appellant. He intended using the shop as a kiosk but at first opened it only for two months each summer and then from 1963 to 1968 kept it closed.

In 1966 the landlord-appellant stopped accepting rent for the shop and later brought a suit for eviction against the respondent on the grounds that he had abandoned the premises. After the suit had been filed the respondent left his employment which had prevented him from operating his kiosk, and devoted himself solely to this latter occupation.

The Magistrate's Court found that the respondent had in fact abandoned the premises, as the shop had not been used for five years. It dismissed the respondent's request to be granted a remedy in justice on the grounds that, although the circumstances warranted such a remedy, the provisions of section 37(a) of the Tenants Protection Law, 1955, do not apply to tenants who had abandoned their rented premises. This section provides that "Notwithstanding the existence of a ground for eviction, the Court may refuse to give a judgment for eviction if it is satisfied that in the circumstances of the case it would not be just to do."

The District Court, on appeal, decided that the respondent was entitled to a remedy in justice as section 37(a) was applicable to his case and held that no eviction order should be given against the respondent on condition that he paid the appellant IL500 costs.

In the appeal against this decision to the Supreme Court, Mr. M. Ben Dror and Mr. H. Sharon appeared for the appellant and Mr. M. Kassis and Mr. A. Doron for the respondent.

Justice Kahn, who delivered the main opinion of the Supreme Court, Justice Berenson and Cohn concurring, first considered the question of whether the respondent had in fact abandoned the premises. In answering this question in the affirmative he held that as a remedy in justice was granted in the period during which the respondent had not used the premises had been so long and as the Magistrate's Court had not been satisfied that he intended using the premises for business purposes at any time in the near future that court had been entitled to conclude that the respondent had abandoned the premises (see also C.A. 434/65, 2 P.D. 20/317). Nor, he continued, did the fact that the respondent had continued paying the rent into the bank after the appellant had refused to accept it or the further fact that he had not been able to earn a livelihood from the kiosk, application of section 37 to such a tenant.

The next question to be considered, held Justice Kahn, is whether a remedy in justice, as defined in section 37(a) of the Tenants Protection Law, 1955, applies to an eviction order given on the grounds that the premises had been abandoned, or not. There were differences of opinion amongst the Supreme Court Justices on this question, he pointed out, Justice Berenson, with whom the President of the Supreme Court (Justice Agron) and Justice Landau concurred, having expressed the opinion in the past that it does (in C.A. 348/59, P.D. 14/455) whereas Justice Sussman had expressed a contrary opinion (in C.A. 404/61, P.D. 16/347). Although, he continued, the preponderance of opinion amongst the Supreme Court Justices was in favour of Justice Berenson's positive attitude to the question, nevertheless once it had arisen again in the present case it had been decided to consider it again before five Justices. He therefore felt bound, he continued, to re-examine the subject again and to express an opinion on it, despite the rule already established by a majority of the Supreme Court.

Justice Kahn then went on to throw in his lot with Justice Berenson's school of thought, holding that he saw no significance in the fact that the section providing for a remedy in justice comes right after the section in the law laying down the causes of action for eviction and this section makes no mention of abandonment of the premises as one of these causes. "For he did not think that this juxtaposition meant that the legislature had intended the remedy in justice to be limited to only those causes of action for eviction expressly enumerated in section 36 of the Law."

Nor, continued Justice Kahn, could he agree that a tenant who had abandoned his premises was equivalent to a trespasser and therefore not entitled to a remedy in justice. For even an absentee tenant could be said to be in possession of his premises, as opposed to being in occupation thereof, and as long as a court has not given an order for restoration of possession to the landlord, the status of the tenant cannot be that of a trespasser (see C.A. 74/49, and others). Moreover, he continued, even if it were to be presumed that our law is similar to that in England and that an absentee tenant loses all protection of the law by virtue of the fact that he has abandoned his premises, this would still not preclude the application of section 37 to such a tenant.

For by its very nature a remedy in justice cancels out an eviction order. In other words, a remedy in justice would have the effect of cancelling the abandonment of the premises retroactively, and thus restoring the status of a statutory

In the Supreme Court sitting as Court of Civil Appeals
Before The Deputy President (Justices Sussman) Justices Berenson, Wilkon, Cohn and Kahn.
Moshe Katan, Appellant, v Avraham Arvill, Respondent (C.A. 300/71)

LAW REPORT
Edited by Doris Lankin

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1972

TENANT WHO ABANDONS PREMISES ENTITLED TO REMEDY IN JUSTICE

DEBITORS TO THE DOLLAR			
5% Dead Sea Junior	r	210	210
5% Electric Corp. A	r	125.5	125.5
5% Electric Corp. B	r	125.5	125.5
LINKED TO THE C.O.L. INDEX			
Kfita 1965 Index 110.1	b	192.5	192.5
Bithan 1965 Series 41	b	138.2	138.2
Bithan 1965 Series 41	b	128.4	128.4
SHARES			
PUBLIC UTILITIES			
Electric Corp.	r	72	71.5
BANKING INSUR. & FINANCE			
Old Hityasburt	r	—	267
I.D.E. — 5% Fine	r	287	287
Union Bank	r	333	334
Gen. Mortgage Bank	r	285	287
Israel British Bank	r	331.5	331
Discount Bank — A	r	—	729
United Mizrahi Bank	r	158	154
Bank Esposolim — 10%	r	358	359
Carmel Mortg. & Inv.	r	—	188
Bank Leumi — A	r	367	360.5
Bank Leumi — B	r	—	283
Ind. & Dev. Bank — 5%	r	—	64.5
Dev. & Mortg. Bank	r	358	358
Housing Mortg. Bank	r	223	225
Cial Industrial — 5%	r	237.5	236
Israel Cent. Trade	r	—	236
Hanash Insurance	r	240	235
Wilson H.I.	r	—	182.5
Wolfson Ltd.	r	121	121.5
Tefahot — 5%	r	232	234
Tefahot	r	235	236
Sharon "C"	r	244	247
LAND & DEVELOPMENT			
Azoria	r	243	248
Aspa Isra. IL10	r	284.5	283.5
Irr. and Dev.	r	287	287
I.C.P. Irr. Citrus	r	106	107.5
Phoenicia	r	200.5	204.5
Property & Build.	r	—	236
Mehadra	r	174	178
Fri Or Ltd.	r	163	164.5
Andor Inv. Investor	r	124	128
Neot Aviv	r	105.5	104.5
Rasoco — 5%	r	110.5	116.5
Rasoco	r	59	56
COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance — B	r	580	569
Electra	r	110	111.5
Electra, IL5	r	286	303
Argaman — 5%	r	245.5	244
Aza — "B"	r	172	179.5
Motor House	r	50.5	51.5
Dubei	r	371	374
Cold Storage — IL10	r	410.5	411
Elect. Wire & Cable	r	191	192
Solel Boneh — 10%	r	168	165
Lighting & Supply	r	125	123
Chem. & Phosphates	r	—	61
Levin Epstein	r	—	108
Koller Israelite	r	—	280
Nechustan	r	—	391
Teva	r	117.5	123
Phoenicia — 5%	r	124	128
Paper Mills	r	482	481
Assis — "B"	r	230	230
Sharon — 5%	r	124	127
Taltrywood	r	390	392
FUEL & OIL			
Delek — C	r	217	221
Naphtha — OTC	r	78	77.5
Laidot — OTC	r	160.5	163
INVESTMENT COMPANIES			
Eigar	b	111.5	111
Elara	b	252	252
Bank Esposolim	b	287	286
Export Bank	b	111.5	115
Asa	b	181	183
Amra	b	282	289
Discount Bank	b	282	289
Bank Leumi	b	273.5	275.5
Foreign Trade	b	124	124
United Mizrahi	b	143.5	146
Cial Israel	b	242	243
I.D.E. — 5% Holding Fr.	b	282	282

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HANOI'S CHOICE

SOME optimists think the non-Communist regime in Saigon may last three years after the American military withdrawal is completed. Others give it a chance for long-term survival, although the average analyst seems to think that two years is the probable life-span of the present regime, to be followed by a decisive slide into the control of the men from Hanoi.

The official White House theory is that if Hanoi honours the terms of the agreement Dr. Kissinger developed, then the Saigon regime can survive, and the Southern part of Vietnam will continue to be independent of and distinct from North Vietnam for a long time ahead. It is over the issue of safeguards for Saigon's independence that the talks broke down. To the South it is a grim lesson in negotiations through powerful third parties.

In Vietnam, one of the key factors may still prove to be Hanoi's interest in the promised American technical and economic aid. Hanoi turned it down when President Johnson made the offer. But an American aid programme has now been revealed as part of the deal which Dr. Kissinger and Le Duc Tho worked out in their secret meetings.

If recovery from war is what Hanoi wants most, and if they have been touched by the same desires which are obvious in these days in the leadership in Russia and in Russia's Eastern European satellites, then their relations with Saigon may be influenced by the proposed aid programme.

All through the Communist world in Europe there is a new desire for the technical skills of the West, and the higher living standards they bring. The appeal of austerity and puritanism has long since faded. And their leaders are negotiating with the West for ways and means of providing the goods that are wanted. This aim is as important a part of the détente as the fear of China.

Nobody knows whether this change has also penetrated to Hanoi or not, or whether North Vietnam will be willing to make do with whatever aid it can obtain from the Soviet Union or China. If Hanoi wants American aid and is willing to take it, America will have some political leverage. There will be no leverage if Hanoi prefers austerity and doctrinal purkry. It is on this choice in Hanoi that Saigon's future in fact depends, whatever may be agreed now.

BEGIN MAKES THINGS EASIER FOR LABOUR

By MARK SEGAL, Jerusalem Post Political Reporter. IF Menachem Begin did not exist, then the Labour Party would have had to invent him. Whenever the dominant party in government enters a bad patch, the leader of Herut always does something to make things easier for it. In 1968 there was an economic recession, with unemployment, and the Mapai-Rafi rift was shaking the Labour Movement. Theoretically, Gahal should have improved its fortunes. But Mr. Begin and his veteran followers were too deeply involved in expelling Shmuel Tamir and Eliezer Shostak and their supporters from Herut.

The Labour Party is now going through another difficult spell. With elections scarcely a year off, Gahal should be raring to go. But Mr. Begin is too busy exorcising the rebellious spirit of Ezer Weizman to concern himself with such things as an election campaign.

Even the usually sober Labour Party secretary-general, Aharon Yadin, has allowed himself to quip: "Herut is incapable of even setting up a shadow cabinet, let alone a real one."

Mr. Begin has again proved that he stands with both feet planted firmly in the past. What matters is that he rules supreme in Herut, a big fish in a little pond. In a way he is following his mentor, Jabotinsky, who, unable to dominate the World Zionist Movement, moved out into the political wilderness, opening the way for the Labour Movement to achieve its hegemony.

From the moment that Menachem Begin emerged from the underground to take over the reins of the old Revisionist Party with his L.L.L. comrades, he has never tolerated men of independent mind and spirit. The list of such people forced out of Herut is too long to recount. But a few names come to mind: Haim Kook, Dr. Arye Altman, Nahum Levin, and even Jabotinsky's son, Eri. Ya'acov Meridor, who used to be No. 2 to Mr. Begin for years, had to drop out of active politics and go into business in order to prove his mettle.



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Begin at all times preferred the cosy education of the clique he brought with him into Herut, rather than the wide-open spaces of a large political movement.

This is the chief difference between his concept of political action and that of Party Treasurer and Tel Aviv branch boss Yosef Kremerman, M.K., who hoped to convert Gahal into a non-socialist party with broad appeal. It was Mr. Kremerman who engineered the 24-hour switch of Ezer Weizman from Army G.H.Q. to a cabinet seat in 1969. This was done without Mr. Begin's active consent, and in his attacks on Mr. Weizman at the convention closing, he paid off part of this old debt.

Mr. Kremerman, who is a successful businessman (and married to Mr. Meridor's daughter), apparently appreciated the need for a new

image and for a vote-catching personality in Herut.

By resigning from the executive chairmanship as he did, Mr. Weizman has opened himself to the criticism that he has little political staying power and that he lacks the toughness and determination to cope with the more savage aspects of Israeli politics. He also talked too much, in extreme terms, with newsmen over the weekend, perhaps opening the door to any reconciliation. This allowed Begin to present a more convincing case for himself on his own weekend TV appearance.

Ezer Weizman brought with him to Herut not only his comparative youth and his ebullient charm, but also a glamorous military record and the kind of Sabra personality with which the younger generation of voters could identify. He brought into Herut many of the young delegates who made Herut's convention so lively. They came with a sense of elation, thinking they were going to get things moving, and during the convention it even appeared that Mr. Begin would allow these new forces to surface and convert Herut into a vital political party.

Mr. Begin's action will damage the future health of the Israeli political system. He has shown that outside the Labour Party a young man has little chance to get ahead in politics. His behaviour will reinforce the doubts in which many of the young generation hold the present political parties.

The lesson of the latest developments in Herut is that Menachem Begin is the main obstacle to any change in Israel's political system. Due to his veto, the Liberals have now abandoned their commitment to electoral reform, which might have provided the basis for a viable political opposition, so essential to the proper working of a parliamentary democracy. He will not allow any new personality to rise to the top in his own party, and will prevent Herut from becoming a party with a mass appeal, for fear it might upset his total control.

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Paris and Jerusalem

Al Hanihamar (Mapam) writes: "If Paris really wants to improve her relations with Jerusalem, she must prove that she has in fact abandoned her biased attitude, of attempting to curry favour with the Arab leaders at Israel's expense."

talks with Egypt on both a partial and an overall settlement. It is surprising, adds the paper, that Mr. Alon chose Washington as the place for voicing his private opinions.

Hamaadia (Agudat Yisrael) declares: "The disaster in Nicaragua once again proves that man, who but yesterday soared high to the moon, stands impotent in the face of a catastrophe which has descended upon him from heaven."

Readers' letters

'Sensational journalism'

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — Up to now The Jerusalem Post has retained in the Adiv case from being submerged by the flood of sensational journalism which has eagerly taken up this tragic episode. But now, in its Magazine of December 15, The Post has paid its tribute to the common hysteria — in opposition to the correct attitude of Moshe Dayan who refrained from comment on a matter which will be sub judice.

versal section in our spy law which was afterwards changed, in line with the recommendation of our Supreme Court. It should be remembered that one Supreme Court Judge had acquitted Cohen despite the controversial wording of the law, whereas the two others vetoed against him on the basis of the law then in force, but recommending that it be changed.

It does not serve the cause of honest journalism if such a case is mingled with cases of quite another quality.

HEINRICH STRAUSS, Jerusalem, December 15.

This issue of the Magazine shows lack of good taste on the front page picture and — still worse — sensationalism in Mark Segal's contribution, "Anatomy of treason."

As a historian of treason, he puts together cases of the Israeli past which cannot be compared, mingling proven traitors with the clear conscience of Aharon Cohen, who stumbled over a very contro-

(None of the Judges considered Aharon Cohen "innocent" after it was proved that he met knowingly and secretly with a Soviet agent, but they did object to the wording of the law under which he was indicted. Ed. J.P.)

Bus route information

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — It has been reported that microphones are to be installed in buses to enable the driver to announce the streets along which the bus travels.

major streets through which the bus travels. DAVID FREEMAN Haifa, November 30.

What is badly needed, particularly to guide new immigrants and tourists, is that side by side with the bus route number, there should be displayed on the front or side of each bus a short list of the

Egged replies: Although Mr. Freeman's suggestion is not new, it is constructive and interesting. We have passed it on to the competent department for study and eventual implementation in an appropriate form, and trust it will receive the preferential treatment it deserves.

M. SEIFMAN, Spokesman Tel Aviv, December 12.

GIVING WOMEN THEIR DUE

With Prejudice by Alex Berlyne

THERE used to be an old Lancashire saying: "You've worked long enough for me, Mother, now you can go out and work for yourself." Till recently this had been the attitude of El Al to its hostesses who were thrown on the scrap-heap once they lost the first flush of youth or when they married. The stewards, of course, were not treated this way. However, the real, naked discrimination was in restricting promotion to pursers or other administrative posts to the men. Some of the girls fought a long, hard battle to find a stop to this nonsense and finally won a victory in the courts last month.

Now there has been a rare old fuss lately about Women's Lib, and its most vocal protagonists, Betty Friedan, Germaine Greer and the rest seem to me to have clouded the issue by emphasizing all sorts of peripheral matters — discarding bras or insisting on the abbreviation Ms. — instead of getting down to cases. "Publishers Weekly" promises us a new book in March — "Lesbian Nation" by Jill Johnston. According to her photograph in the ad, Ms. Johnston appears to be a well set-up young person with a rather infectious grin, but what she has to say isn't funny at all. "Feminism is at heart a massive complaint. Lesbianism is the solution. Until all women are Lesbians there will be no true political revolution."

Full stop

I'll say it's a solution — the solution to practically everything. In fact the human race would come to a full stop within a few short decades unless someone cheats a bit.

Mrs. Sally Oppenheim, the Tory M.P. for Gloucester, represents the other end of the Women's Lib spectrum. She has been quietly getting things done, including co-opting through the Commons a Bill to end discrimination and leaving all the strident nonsense to the militants, who don't seem to be getting anything done apart from driving the bra manufacturers into bankruptcy. The El Al girls are cast in the same mould. More power to them.

At the beginning of the 19th century the French philosopher Charles Fourier wrote: "Social progress and changing eras are linked to increases in women's freedom, and social decadence is accompanied by a decrease in their freedom." He would have been distressed to know that his own countrywomen got the vote only in 1946. There is still a long list of countries where women haven't even this elementary right despite a 1967 U.N. General As-

sembly resolution demanding that sexual equality be incorporated into national constitutions or guaranteed in law. Most of the offenders are Arab states though in two of them, Saudi Arabia and Yemen, there isn't any male suffrage either.

It's a man's world and has been for a long, long time. The medieval Council of Macon decided by only a single vote that women had a soul, while its Protestant counterpart, the Wittenberg Conference, even tried to prove that women were not human beings. Catholic doctrine has always been particularly antagonistic to women's rights, even though it embraces the cult of the Virgin Mary. Two Papal Encyclicals, Casti Conubi and Quadragesimo Anno condemned women's employment outside the home. You have to hand it to the girls, though. In both Italy and France the rate of female employment is double that in Protestant America.

This sort of social purdah still prevails in most parts of the Western world, however, and it is mainly owing to demographic changes, not to Women's Lib, that it is slowly being eroded. In the last half-century or so the life-span of the average woman has been extended by more than 25 years. They marry younger and finish child-bearing earlier so that when the youngest child starts school the average woman still has a life expectancy of 40 years. Their own grandmothers had a total life expectancy of 45 years.

Home role

Labour-saving devices and prepared foods have reduced their role in the home yet nothing much has been done to relieve the tedium of household chores and, above all, their isolation. These factors have resulted in an increasing number of women re-summing their interrupted careers. Once back on the job they find that things are not so rosy. In general they do not receive equal pay for equal work and, in fact, the wage differential has been increasing. In the U.S. for example, women clerical workers averaged 72 per cent of the male wage in 1966 and only 86 per cent by 1964. In the factories it dropped from 82 per cent to 58 per cent, while salesgirls and shop-assistants who only received a measly 45 per cent of the men's wage for the same work in 1956 had suffered a decrease to 40 per cent eight years later. President Kennedy was trying to do something about this discrimination

when he was cut down and, in Europe, both the ILO and the Common Market legislated against it. However, different levels of remuneration are often camouflaged by reclassifying the job.

In France, for example, girls operating Linotype keyboards had achieved speeds of 15,000 characters per hour after two months training while the men had only managed 10,000 after six months. The girls were called "typists" and the men "compositors" to justify the girls receiving only 55 per cent of the job. It's enough to make you weep.

Marx and the maid

If Karl Marx were alive today he'd find that the humpen-proletariat, the bottom rung of the ladder, was composed almost exclusively of the fair sex. Not that he wasn't above a little exploitation himself. Didn't he father a child by the family's maid-servant, a task that was hardly part of the conditions of her employment?

When it comes to the professions or the administrative class things are hardly better. There has been very little improvement since the day when Marie Curie was photographed together with 29 distinguished male scientists, the sole representative of her sex. You've only got to look at the ads when these posts need filling to see the most blatant examples of discrimination. The usual excuse offered for stipulating that the applicant should be male is that the work involves travel. Oddly enough, many thousands of working-class girls from Southern Europe find employment in Britain or in Germany and nobody thinks twice about it. Can it be an extension of the purdah principle — men's work is exteriorized while women's is confined to the home — or is it simply another transparent dodge to avoid giving women their just due?

Natural gifts

They're enough to put up with as it is. Professor Mirra Komarovsky demonstrated in an article in the "American Journal of Sociology" that many girls recognize that to be well-endowed with brains may well offset other more prominent natural endowments. Some 40 per cent of the American girls she interviewed admitted to pleasing men by self-effacement and deliberately pretended to be less intelligent in their dealings with

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